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I. CALENDAR OF CONFERENCES AND MEETINGS

A. Matters related to, and inter-sessional departures from, the approved calendar for 1991

1. In its resolution 45/238 A of 21 December 1990, the General Assembly approved the calendar of conferences and meetings for 1991 as set forth in annex II to the report of the Committee on Conferences to the Assembly at its forty-fifth session 1/ and amended by subsequent decisions taken by the Assembly during that session.

2. At its organizational session on 6 March 1991, the Committee agreed that proposed changes to the calendar that did not have programme budget implications could be dealt with by the Secretariat in consultation with the Bureau of the Committee. The Committee was advised of a number of such changes during the course of 1991.

3. In addition, by written communication from the Secretary, the Committee was advised of requests for changes or additions to the approved calendar of conferences for 1991. The nature of the requests and the action taken by the Committee are described below:

(a) In December 1990, the Committee approved a request to schedule a winter session of the United Nations Administrative Tribunal from 11 February to 1 March 1991 on the understanding that the session was convened in accordance with chapter 2, article 6, paragraph 3, of the statute of the Administrative Tribunal, which states: "Extraordinary sessions for the consideration of cases may be convened by the President when, in his opinion, the number or urgency of the cases on the list requires such sessions."

(b) At the request of the Bureau of the Economic and Social Council, the Committee considered a proposal that the thirty-fourth session of the Commission on Narcotic Drugs, a functional commission of the Economic and Social Council, be held from 29 April to 9 May 1991 at Vienna, instead of 30 January to 8 February 1991. The Committee was informed that the Secretary-General had, by letter addressed to the Chairman of the Commission on Narcotic Drugs at its thirty-third session, referred to rule 2, paragraph 2, of the rules of procedure of the functional commissions of the Economic and Social Council, which provides that in exceptional cases, the date of the opening of a session of a functional commission of the Council may be altered by the Secretary-General in consultation with the Committee on Conferences and, whenever practicable, with the Chairman of the Commission. The Committee did not object to the proposal of the Secretary-General on the understanding that the holding of the meeting at Vienna on the dates proposed would not give rise to implications for the regular budget of the United Nations, and that the Council would address the implications of the overlap of the session of the Commission with the first regular session of the Economic and Social Council, and taking fully into account relevant subsequent decisions to be taken by the Council.

(c) In April 1991, the Committee was advised of a decision by the Commission on Transnational Corporations to suspend its seventeenth session and to request informal consultations on 6 May, followed by a resumed session

on 7 May 1991. The Committee approved that proposal on the understanding that the requested meetings would be scheduled and serviced based on the actual availability of conference services during the preferred time period in such a way as to obviate the need for any additional expenditure and to avoid disruption to the meetings programme in effect at that time.

(d) In March 1991, the Committee approved a request to schedule a meeting of the Standing Committee for Programme Matters of the United Nations Development Programme from 6 to 10 May 1991 in New York, as an addition to the calendar of conferences and meetings for 1991. No objection was raised, on the understanding that there would be no need for any additional appropriation with regard to the proposed change to the calendar.

(e) In April 1991, the Committee was informed of a decision by the Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People on an adjustment to its approved programme of seminars and symposia and meetings for non-governmental organizations, in accordance with the provisions of paragraph 4 of General Assembly resolution 45/67 A of 6 December 1990. The Committee agreed to the proposal to hold the 1991 North American Regional NGO Symposium from 28 to 30 June 1991 at Montreal, instead of from 26 to 28 June 1991 in New York, on the basis of the recommendation of the Committee on Conferences at its 303rd meeting, on 5 December 1989, to the General Assembly that it grant an exception to paragraph 4 of section I of resolution 40/243 of 18 December 1985, to allow the Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People to meet away from its established headquarters, and in view of information provided that the additional costs of holding the meeting away from Headquarters would be met from within the appropriation under the relevant section(s) of the programme budget for the biennium 1990-1991.

(f) At its 327th meeting, on 12 June 1991, the Committee on Conferences considered and approved a request for an extension of the session of the Committee for Programme and Coordination, on the understanding that all additional meetings would be serviced on an "as available" basis dependent on the actual programme of meetings in effect at the time in question. The Committee also expressed concern with regard to continued extensions of sessions of the Committee for Programme and Coordination.

(g) In July 1991, the Committee accepted the extension of the spring 1991 session of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions, on the understanding that the meetings would be serviced from available conference-servicing resources during the period in question.

4. At its 332nd meeting, on 22 August 1991, the Committee on Conferences approved a request from the Board of Trustees of the United Nations Institute for Training and Research to hold a special session from 9 to 11 September 1991, on the understanding that the Board's regular pattern of meetings remained and that the special session would not give rise to implications for the regular budget of the United Nations.

B. Adoption of the draft calendar of conferences and meetings for 1992-1993

Introduction and overview

5. At its 332nd meeting, on 21 August 1991, the Committee on Conferences reviewed the draft calendar of conferences and meetings for the biennium 1992-1993.

6. As agreed by the Committee on Conferences at its 1989 substantive session, bodies whose mandates were due to expire on 31 December 1991, but were expected to be presented for renewal to the General Assembly at its forty-sixth session, have been reflected in the draft revised calendar immediately following the last entry for 1992.

7. In introducing the draft calendar, the representative of the Secretariat noted that the draft took full account of the decisions taken at the second regular session of the Economic and Social Council in July 1991, and of relevant resolutions and decisions of the Assembly, notably resolution 45/264 of 13 May 1991.

Discussion

8. The two major phenomena affecting the draft calendar for 1992-1993 were stated to be the United Nations Conference on Environment and Development, to be held from 1 to 12 June 1992, and the changes resulting from General Assembly resolution 45/264 on the restructuring and revitalization of the United Nations in the economic, social and related fields. In that connection, reference was made to the proposed changes to the calendar put forward during consideration of the draft calendar of conferences and meetings of subsidiary organs of the Economic and Social Council. Disappointment was expressed with the relative lack of information available with regard to the actions and decisions taken by the Council during its consideration of the draft calendar and with the fact that relatively few of the specific proposals had been incorporated into the draft placed before the Committee on Conferences. The question of biennialization, for instance, which could enhance the efficiency of the calendar, did not appear to have been considered by the Council.

9. It was suggested that the Committee would benefit from more detailed graphic information on the schedule of meetings in future discussions on the draft calendar.

10. There was a detailed exchange of views on a series of suggested changes to the draft calendar originating with a request that the Secretariat provide further information on the possibility of advancing the start of the substantive session of the Economic and Social Council. It was observed that, in order to ensure a more realistic calendar of conferences, the General Assembly should be advised to request the Trusteeship Council to review its meeting requirements to take account of the number of times it actually meets.

11. In response to the questions raised, representatives of the Secretariat reported on the discussions during the Council's consideration of the draft

calendar, and on the technical feasibility of accommodating the proposals. The Secretariat had, in large part, been guided by Assembly resolution 40/243 of 18 December 1985, section I, paragraph 10 (g), which stipulated that the capacity of the documentation services of the Secretariat to process and issue in time the documentation required for the sessions of all scheduled organs should be taken into account in drawing up the draft calendar of conferences and meetings.

Conclusions and recommendations

12. The Committee approved the draft calendar of conferences and meetings for 1992-1993 as orally amended.

13. The Committee decided to recommend to the General Assembly that it adopt the draft calendar of conferences and meetings of the United Nations for 1992-1993 as submitted by the Committee on Conferences and authorize the Committee to make any adjustments that might become necessary as a result of actions and decisions taken by the Assembly at its forty-sixth session.

14. The Committee also decided to recommend to the General Assembly that it request the Economic and Social Council to resume consideration of biennialization of the meetings of its subsidiary organs in the context of the ongoing restructuring and revitalization exercise. The General Assembly may also wish to request the Trusteeship Council to review its meeting requirements.

15. The Committee on Conferences requested the Secretariat to research the options available for graphic presentation of the calendar of conferences, and, to the extent possible, to incorporate such formatting in the future.

C. Improved utilization of conference-servicing resources: meetings statistics of United Nations organs

Introduction and overview

16. In paragraph 4 of resolution 44/196 A of 21 December 1989, the General Assembly requested the Committee on Conferences to review the methodology on conference-servicing utilization rates in order to provide, if possible, a more accurate assessment of the overall use of conference resources with a view to enabling United Nations bodies to make the optimum use of conference services and to facilitate, where necessary, continued rationalization of their meeting requirements.

17. The Committee on Conferences has studied a series of reports since 1983 showing the meeting statistics of a number of United Nations organs in New York, Geneva and Vienna. At its substantive meetings held on 28 August 1990, the Committee considered the most recent report by the Secretariat on meetings statistics, which included an expanded section on the methodology employed in compiling the statistical information included therein and agreed to put into experimental use a newly proposed methodology to run parallel with the existing methodology for the next three years. In view of this decision, the Committee on Conferences reviewed two reports on meetings statistics at its

331st meeting, on 20 August 1991, one report compiled in accordance with the existing methodology and the other report using the new methodology.

18. In introducing the report, the representative of the Secretariat noted the marked improvement in utilization rates for 1990 when the overall and average utilization factor had reached 78 per cent.

Discussion

19. There was general satisfaction with the information provided by the new methodology in terms of assessing the accuracy with which committees predict the actual number of fully serviced meetings they will require during a session. It was agreed that the planning accuracy factor and meeting ratio allowed for a more in-depth analysis of the meeting pattern of the bodies concerned. Further adjustments were suggested, such as presenting separately data on time lost owing to late start and early ending of meetings.

20. The attention of the Committee was drawn to the request by the General Assembly, contained in paragraph 11 of resolution 45/238 A of 21 December 1990, to consider additional elements in implementing the new methodology on conference-servicing utilization rates. In that connection, as cited previously, it was plausible that the timely issuance of quality documentation had an effect on both the utilization factor and the planning accuracy factor. It would thus be helpful to include an indicator on the timeliness of documentation so that the Committee could begin to assess the connection between the availability of documentation and utilization rates.

21. In order to accomplish that task, it was proposed to develop an "availability index" that would identify the percentage of pre-session documentation that was issued within the six-week deadline established by the General Assembly. The calculation would then quantify, in percentage terms, the number of documents available at varying dates of delivery prior to the opening of the session.

22. Clarification was sought and received from the Secretariat on the procedure with regard to the procedures for reassigning services freed by cancellations, including the minimum length of time required for advance notification.

23. One delegation noted that the statistics had been monitored for a number of years, and suggested that unless substantive reasons could be provided for consistently low rates of utilization, the number of meetings allocated to those bodies should be reduced. Those bodies included the Legal Subcommittee of the Committee on the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space; the Preparatory Commission for the International Seabed Authority and for the International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea; the Ad Hoc Committee on the Indian Ocean; the Committee on Natural Resources; and the Committee on Information. The delegation proposed increasing the benchmark figure for utilization of conference-servicing resources in order to highlight the emphasis placed by the Committee on improvements in utilization, and noted that the placement of the benchmark below 100 per cent was intended precisely to allow for imperfections in the methodology.

24. A number of delegations stressed that the mandate of the Committee on Conferences did not extend to altering the dates, duration and periodicity of subsidiary organs. The duty of the Committee on Conferences in this regard was to draw to the attention of the General Assembly the effect that the inability effectively to utilize conference resources has on the calendar of conferences and to recommend to the General Assembly that it request all organs to review their meeting requirements.

25. Further, the basis of the conclusion that certain bodies were not utilizing their time efficiently was faulty, owing largely to the imperfections of the existing methodology. Given the mandate of the Committee and the doubts with regard to the effective applicability of the methodology, these delegations felt that it was not possible to single out any intergovernmental body in the way suggested.

26. They therefore considered it difficult for the Committee to take any decisions on the methodology at this stage, in view of its experimental nature and the consequent need to monitor and adjust the new methodology throughout the three-year experimental period previously established. A number of difficulties experienced with the methodology, including factors external to the body in question, were cited. For those reasons, the Committee should not limit the availability of conference services based solely on the utilization factor.

27. For example, it was possible that meetings had been cancelled and/or delayed owing to the lack or late issuance of documentation. However if a committee consistently utilized less than 60 per cent of the resources allocated, that was indicative of a problem that should be explored and explained.

Conclusions and recommendations

28. The Committee decided to recommend to the General Assembly that it request the Chairman of the Committee on Conferences and the Secretary-General to maintain their contacts with United Nations organs in order to ensure the most efficient and effective use of conference services allocated to those organs.

29. The Committee decided to recommend to the General Assembly that it request subsidiary organs to review their meeting requirements.

30. The Committee decided that the Chairman of the Committee would address letters to the presiding officers of bodies included in the documents on meeting statistics that would present an analysis of the utilization factor of those bodies over the course of the period from 1982 to 1990 and would, should the analysis so warrant, welcome or urge improvements and seek an explanation as to the reasons for relatively low utilization and/or noticeable decreases in utilization in one year as compared to that previously reported.

31. It was further decided to request the Chairmen of the subsidiary organs to bring the contents of the letter from the Chairman of the Committee on Conferences to the attention of the organ concerned, and that the replies

received would be presented to the Committee on Conferences at its next substantive session so that the Committee could avail itself of the views expressed and observations provided when continuing its consideration of the utilization of conference-servicing resources.

32. The Committee requested the Secretariat to incorporate the proposal on the availability of documentation into future conference room papers on the new methodology, and to report thereon to the Committee at its next substantive session.

D. Improved organization of work and effective use of conference resources

1. Existing conference resources, services and facilities within the United Nations

Introduction and overview

33. At its 314th meeting, on 21 August 1990, the Committee on Conferences considered the report by the Secretary-General (A/AC.172/137) on existing conference services, resources and facilities within the United Nations, as well as a conference room paper on conference servicing at the United Nations (A/AC.172/1990/CRP.2), and requested the Secretariat to provide supplemental information for discussion by the Committee at its next session.

34. At its 332nd meeting, on 21 August 1991, the Committee on Conferences considered a conference room paper prepared by the Secretariat on the item. In introducing the document, the representative of the Secretariat noted that it should be read in conjunction with the documents considered by the Committee at its 1990 substantive session.

Discussion

35. Clarification was sought from and provided by the Secretariat on a number of issues, including, inter alia, the practices and procedures for reimbursement of out-of-pocket expenses incurred when meetings outside the approved calendar of conferences were convened at Headquarters. In that connection, the attention of the Committee was drawn to the guidelines on the use of United Nations premises for meetings, conferences and public events, as contained in administrative instruction ST/AI/335 of 11 July 1986, and copies of the guidelines were provided to members of the Committee.

Conclusions and recommendations

36. The Committee on Conferences noted that the conference room paper and the clarifications provided would serve as useful background information for the Committee's use in continued consideration of the improved organization of work and effective use of conference resources.

2. Possibility of central planning and coordination of all organizational aspects of conference servicing*

Introduction and overview

37. In paragraph 5 of its resolution 42/207 B of 11 December 1987, the General Assembly requested the Secretary-General to examine the possibility of having all organizational aspects of conference servicing in the United Nations as a whole centrally planned and coordinated, with a view to ensuring optimum efficiency and cost-effectiveness.

38. Since the adoption of resolution 42/207 B, the Secretariat has regularly provided progress reports on actions taken by the Economic and Social Council and parallel decisions of the General Assembly on the review of the administrative and financial functioning of the Organization in the economic and social fields and on all relevant issues pertaining to the review of the implementation of measures for revitalization of the Council.

39. At its 328th meeting, on 19 August 1991, the Committee on Conferences considered a conference room paper by the Secretariat, which detailed the action taken thus far by the Economic and Social Council and parallel decisions of the General Assembly on the review of the administrative and financial functioning of the Organization in the economic and social fields.

40. In introducing the report, the representative of the Secretariat referred to General Assembly resolution 45/264 of 13 May 1991, entitled "Restructuring and revitalization of the United Nations in the economic, social and related fields", which, inter alia, sets out a timetable for finalization of the review process. The representative of the Secretariat also drew attention to ongoing steps in the coordination process, including the implementation of section I, paragraphs 3 and 4, of General Assembly resolution 44/194 of 21 December 1989 and to the current status of cooperation with the Economic and Social Council as exemplified in the Committee's review, at the Council's invitation, of the draft calendar of conferences in the economic, social and related fields and the opportunity that provides for making recommendations, as appropriate, to the Economic and Social Council prior to the Council's adoption of its calendar of conferences. Reference was also made to the "gentleman's agreement", established in 1979, whereby departures from the calendar of conferences by subsidiary organs of the Council, requested when the Council was not in session, were referred by the Bureau of the Council to the Committee on Conferences for decision, and that departures occurring when the Council was in session would continue to be decided upon by the Council and subsequently brought to the attention of the Committee.

41. The representative of the Secretariat proposed that the Secretariat keep the Committee on Conferences informed of further developments as they occur.

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* Future reference to this agenda item shall read "Possibility of coordinated planning of all organizational aspects of conference servicing".

Discussion

42. The updated information provided by the Secretariat was welcomed, and the apparent overlap with item 2 (e) of the Committee's agenda, on procedures with regard to inter-sessional departures, was noted. In that connection, the view was expressed that the agreement with the Economic and Social Council should be formalized so that any request for departure from the approved calendar of conferences would automatically be brought to the attention of the Committee on Conferences for its consideration and advice.

Conclusions and recommendations

43. The Committee took note of the information provided by the Secretariat and requested the Secretariat to keep the Committee informed of further developments.

44. The Committee decided to bring to the attention of the Economic and Social Council the concerns with regard to departures from the calendar of conferences adopted by the General Assembly when they involve subsidiary organs of the Council. In that way, the Council would be invited to review the existing procedures and to consider granting authority to the Committee to act on its behalf with regard to changes in the calendar of conferences occurring at those times when the Council was not in session.

3. Measures to improve the overall efficiency and effectiveness of the use of conference-servicing resources

Introduction and overview

45. In paragraph 8 of resolution 45/238 A of 21 December 1990, the General Assembly called upon the Committee on Conferences to consider, within its mandate, further measures to improve the overall efficiency and effectiveness of the use of conference-servicing resources, bearing in mind the relevant recommendations in the report of the Group of High-level Intergovernmental Experts to Review the Efficiency of the Administrative and Financial Functioning of the United Nations, 2/ as approved by the Assembly in its resolution 41/213 of 19 December 1986.

46. At its 331st meeting, on 20 August 1991, the Committee on Conferences considered a conference room paper from the Secretariat detailing the experience gained from measures taken and results achieved to date in each of the main aspects of conference-servicing work, that is, the servicing of meetings, the coordination of the meetings programme and the provision of documentation, including non-parliamentary documentation such as publications.

Discussion

47. While the paper was considered a useful summary of past actions, disappointment was expressed with regard to the lack of new ideas which could lead to enhanced efficiency and effectiveness. In view of the information utilized by the Secretariat in assessing the number of meetings likely to take

place as compared to those scheduled, it was suggested that an additional column could be added to the calendar of conferences for each entry, indicating the number of meetings to which that committee was entitled within the dates cited. It would then be possible for the Committee on Conferences to establish a rule whereby if more than 10 per cent of the entitlement was needed as additional meetings or extension of the session, the Committee as a whole would be informed prior to allocation of the additional meetings.

48. Reference was also made to the high instance of meetings that last less than the three-hour time period allotted and to the possibility of consecutive scheduling in order to increase efficiency in that area. The Committee could also consider raising the benchmark figure for utilization of conference-servicing resources.

49. A number of proposals for further efforts in the area of documentation and publications were made, in such things as compliance with the 32-page limit for reports of subsidiary organs to the General Assembly, the establishment and enforcement of restrictions on the length of reports prepared by the Secretariat, a review of recurrent publications, with a view to possible reductions in the number and frequency of issuance, and possible restrictions on the issuance of written meeting records more than one year following the completion of the meeting concerned. The suggestion was made that interdepartmental working groups could be established to assist in some of those areas.

50. Clarification was provided by the Secretariat on some of the proposals and on the relevant practices within the Secretariat.

51. It was noted that the proposals with regard to utilization of conference-servicing resources, including the germane issue of accurate planning, which was incorporated into the new methodology for compiling the statistics, could be considered under the item on meeting statistics, and that, in accordance with the Committee's biennial approach to its work, matters pertaining to the control and limitation of documentation, as well as to publications, would be considered in detail by the Committee in 1992.

Conclusions and recommendations

52. The Committee took note of the report provided by the Secretariat.

53. It was decided that the Secretariat should update and monitor the efforts under way with respect to implementation of the measures recommended by the Committee on Conferences and adopted by the General Assembly, with a view to reporting further to the Committee at its next substantive session on the results achieved.

54. In that connection, the Committee advised the Secretariat to take account of the proposals on documentation and publications as cited in paragraph 41 above and the views expressed by the Committee during its consideration of the item when preparing future reports for the Committee's consideration in 1992 on items related to documentation.

55. The Secretariat was requested to maximize the utilization of conference resources available, by, inter alia, scheduling meetings, whenever possible, consecutively within one three-hour meeting period.

E. Consideration of the draft calendar of conferences and meetings of subsidiary organs of the Economic and Social Council for 1992-1993

Introduction and overview

56. In its decision 1988/103 of 5 Februrary 1988, the Economic and Social Council invited the Committee on Conferences to review the Council's draft biennial calendar of conferences and meetings and to submit, as appropriate, its recommendations thereon to the Council.

57. Accordingly, the Committee on Conferences met on 12 June 1991 (327th meeting) to discuss a report by the Secretariat containing the draft calendar for 1992-1993 to be placed before the Council at its second regular session of 1991.

58. In introducing the draft calendar, the Secretariat informed the Committee that, in accordance with established practice, the draft calendar of the Council and its subsidiary bodies was presented together with information on related bodies that, strictly speaking, were not subsidiaries of the Council but that held meetings in the economic and social fields. The Secretariat noted that the entries for bodies whose mandates would be considered by the Council in 1992-1993 should be deleted from the draft calendar. The Committee was informed of the ongoing implementation of General Assembly resolution 45/264 of 13 May 1991 on the restructuring and revitalization of the United Nations in the economic, social and related fields, particularly with regard to the scheduling of the substantive session of the Council, the effects this has had on other bodies, and the review of subsidiary bodies to be undertaken by the Economic and Social Council.

Discussion

59. While recognizing that there was no substantive decision to be taken at this time, specific proposals were made on possible changes to the draft, such as delaying the start of sessions of the Commission on Narcotic Drugs and advancing the Commission on Transnational Corporations and the organizational and regular sessions of the Economic and Social Council. It was also proposed that those bodies whose mandates were expected to be presented for renewal to the Council during its 1992 session be incorporated in the draft.

60. The Secretariat provided information on the technical and servicing aspects involved in the proposed scheduling, with particular reference to the need to ensure adequate time for processing pre-session documentation and to take account of the reporting obligations of subsidiary bodies and to the stated preference of some organs not to meet concurrently with the United Nations Conference on Environment and Development, scheduled for 1 to 12 June 1992.

Conclusions and recommendations

61. The Committee noted that, in accordance with Council resolution 1988/77 of 29 July 1988, paragraph 2 (f) (i), the subsidiary bodies of the Council were, to the extent possible, scheduled to end their 1992-1993 sessions at least eight weeks prior to the dates proposed for the Economic and Social Council.

62. The Committee encouraged the Council to discontinue the provision of summary records for its sessional committees, as well as for some subsidiary bodies of the Council.

63. The Committee recommended the adoption of the draft calendar as presented based on the following additional observations and recommendations: (a) no entries would be deleted from the draft; (b) bodies whose mandates were due to expire, but were expected to be presented for renewal to the Council at its upcoming sessions, would be reflected in the draft, together with an explanatory note indicating that the respective body would meet as indicated if its mandate were extended by the Council; and (c) in view of the fact that the proposals for changes to the draft calendar were acceptable to the Committee, the Secretariat would investigate the technical feasibility of accommodating the changes and would advise the Council accordingly during the Council's consideration of the draft calendar.

64. It was further decided that the Chairman would address a letter to the President of the Economic and Social Council on the recommendations of the Committee, which would also express the Committee's appreciation of the Council's invitation to review its draft calendar of conferences and meetings.

F. Procedures with regard to inter-sessional departures from the approved calendar of conferences and meetings

Introduction and overview

65. In paragraph 2 of its resolution 45/238 A of 21 December 1990, the General Assembly requested the Committee on Conferences to review, within its mandate, the existing procedures with regard to inter-sessional departures from the approved calendar of conferences and meetings and report thereon to the Assembly at its forty-sixth session.

66. At its 331st meeting, on 20 August 1991, the Committee on Conferences reviewed a report from the Secretariat that outlined the legislative authority as well as the competence and current practices of the Committee with regard to inter-sessional departures. In introducing the report, the representative of the Secretariat drew the attention of the Committee to guidelines proposed for the Committee's consideration of and action on inter-sessional departures.

Discussion

67. In response to questions raised, the Secretariat provided further information on the distinction made between costs (i.e. those instances where the request would lead to additional expenditure) and budgetary implications (i.e. the need to request additional appropriation) and on the nature and number of requests for changes to the calendar received and agreed upon by the Committee, as well as on the modalities for informing members of the Committee when action was taken by the Secretariat and/or the Bureau.

68. It was considered that on some occasions involving programme changes, the Bureau could, in consultation with the Secretariat, decide on the most appropriate course of action and then inform the Committee of the nature of the request and the action taken.

69. Reference was made to the Committee's intense consideration of the extensions requested during 1991 and to the apparent reluctance of the Committee to object to such requests. The difficulty of establishing general rules for considering inter-sessional departures was recognized in view of the unique nature of the requests received and the prevailing situation with regard to availability of services and facilities.

70. In some instances, the number of additional meetings allocated was excessive and could have had a negative impact on the workings of the body concerned. The proposed guidelines were acceptable for committees whose requests were not excessive, but the concurrence of the Committee on Conferences as a whole should be sought for lengthy extensions of sessions. In addition, committees should be encouraged to complete their work within the time allotted, and, in cases where that was not possible, to estimate realistically the number of additional meetings required.

71. In that regard, the view was expressed that the Committee should not seek to justify its mandate by rejecting applications for changes to the calendar. It was believed that in the presence of a formal request from an intergovernmental body and the availability of services and facilities, it would normally be preferable to approve rather than to object. It was also inadvisable to reject requests for limited extensions required by intergovernmental organs/bodies to complete their work.

72. It was noted that when dates had been indicated in the approved calendar of conferences as "to be determined", it was understood that the Secretariat would finalize the meeting dates to reap the full benefits of staggering and that, in accordance with the new budgetary process, the approved appropriation for conference servicing included provision for such meetings.

73. It was stated that the "gentleman's agreement" with the Economic and Social Council might not be adequate, in that departures occurring in periods when the Council was in session continued to be decided upon by the Council and, subsequently, brought to the attention of the Committee. The Committee on Conferences was the sole body entrusted with the preparation of the calendar of conferences and, as such, should be consulted prior to any adjustments in the calendar, rather than presented with a fait accompli.

74. The need for the Committee on Conferences to work with the Secretariat to ensure an even calendar was cited, and it was noted that the Economic and Social Council could possibly make changes to the calendar of conferences that would be difficult to accommodate. As such, it was suggested that the Council should consult the Committee on Conferences prior to adopting decisions affecting the approved calendar of conferences.

75. Another view was that in dealing with inter-sessional departures, the Committee was primarily an advisory body using its technical knowledge and expertise to avoid overlapping so that, at any given time, the number of meetings could, to the extent possible, be serviced without resorting to temporary assistance. In that connection, the Committee was called upon to act in accordance with its mandate and taking into accoumt the mandates of other bodies, which had determined their preferred meeting times.

76. Within the terms of reference of the Committee, it could act on behalf of the General Assembly for inter-sessional departures, and could, in accordance with Economic and Social Council decision 1988/103, advise the Council on its calendar of conferences prior to the Council's consideration. Traditionally, the Bureau of the Council refers requests for changes to the approved calendar to the Committee on Conferences. It was suggested that the procedure should be formalized and, should the Council so decide, authority to act on its behalf would be delegated to the Committee on Conferences. In addition, the attention of the Council should be drawn to the advisability of consulting the Committee on Conferences when considering changes to the approved calendar of conferences during its sessions.

Conclusions and recommendations

77. The Committee decided to adopt the following guidelines for consideration of and action on inter-sessional departures:

(a) The Secretariat would deal with departures that do not have programme budget implications, that is, those changes involving the establishment of meeting dates or venues for bodies included in the calendar of conferences as "to be determined" and inform the Committee of any action thereon;

(b) For inter-sessional departures involving only programme implications:

(i) Requests for inter-sessional departures would be forwarded by the body concerned to the secretariat of the Committee, which would then consult with the Bureau. The request should contain the substantive reasons as well as any relevant legislative authority for the proposed change. In cases where the request was for an additional session, the reason or reasons why the organ concerned had not finished its work during the time allotted to it should also be included. Any requests for extensions beyond four meetings would require the explicit approval of the Committee on Conferences;

(ii) Should the Bureau concur with the proposal, the Chairman would authorize the secretariat to take the necessary action to implement

the change, as requested, and a letter would be addressed to all members of the Committee informing them of the request and the action taken;

(iii) Alternatively, should the Bureau not be in a position to authorize the proposal, the Chairman, or the secretariat at his request, would notify all members of the Committee by means of a memorandum;

(iv) The communication to the Committee should provide an assessment of the technical feasibility of accommodating the requested change; an indication of the nature of the programme implication, such as the required exception to existing rules or regulations of the Assembly, if any; and an estimate of incremental costs involved and potential for absorption;

(v) The memorandum that the Chairman or the secretariat would send to members informing them of the requested exception would contain a deadline for any comments they might wish to make. In the event that approval was forthcoming, the secretariat would initiate the action necessary to implement the proposal as requested. Should any member of the Committee request a meeting on the proposal, that request would be brought to the attention of the Chairman and other members of the Bureau;

(c) For inter-sessional departures having programme implications in the form of the extension of entitlements on a permanent basis, and/or budget implications that would result in the need for any additional appropriation, in conformity with the mandate of the Committee and the budgetary process in force, the Committee would continue to act in its advisory capacity.

78. The Chairman of the Committee on Conferences was requested to write to the chairmen of subsidiary organs expressing concern with regard to extensions of sessions and urging them to complete their work within the approved period.

79. The Committee also wished to bring to the attention of the Economic and Social Council the advisory role of the Committee on Conferences with regard to inter-sessional departures from the approved calendar of conferences. The Committee agreed to recommend to the General Assembly that it invite the Economic and Social Council to consider consulting the Committee on Conferences whenever the Council itself was seized with such requests.

II. IMPROVED COORDINATION OF CONFERENCES WITHIN THE UNITED NATIONS SYSTEM: IMPLEMENTATION OF GENERAL ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION 43/222 B, PARAGRAPH 4 (f)

Introduction and overview

80. At its 300th meeting, on 24 August 1989, the Committee on Conferences agreed that it should examine how best it could address its terms of reference as governed by paragraph 4 (f) of General Assembly resolution 43/222 B of 21 December 1988, and requested the Secretariat to examine the current status of coordination, identifying any difficulties or problems and suggesting possible solutions with a view to making the necessary improvements.

81. At the same meeting, the Committee decided to seek the views of the Administrative Committee on Coordination (ACC) on the subject of the system-wide coordination of conference activities, as well as information on current or envisaged practical arrangements in that area. Subsequently, the Organizational Committee of ACC decided to refer the matter to the Inter-Agency Meeting for Language Arrangements, Documentation and Publications (IAMLADP), which met in June 1990.

82. At its 328th meeting, on 19 August 1991, the Committee considered a conference room paper that outlined the discussions undertaken by IAMLADP in 1990 on the item entitled "Coordination of conferences within the United Nations system". It was also noted that the results of a study assessing the possibility of increasing inter-agency consultation on the coordination of conferences and large meetings with a view to attaining optimum use of conference resources by decreasing overlapping, allowing for some inter-agency exchanges of conference-servicing staff, and minimizing competition among United Nations agencies with regard to the recruitment of freelance staff would be presented to IAMLADP at its September 1991 meeting and submitted to ACC and that they would subsequently be brought to the Committee's attention at the earliest possible opportunity.

Discussion

83. The importance of achieving the optimum use of conference-servicing resources through improved coordination system wide was recognized. However, it was mentioned that the study and conclusions should treat coordination questions carefully, with a view to avoiding overemphasis on the coordination of conference-servicing resources in a way that would infringe upon the authority of certain organizations.

84. Clarification was sought and provided by the Secretariat on a number of facets of system-wide coordination, including the statutory requirements of the timing of some meetings of the specialized agencies.

Conclusions and recommendations

85. The Committee took note of the progress report provided by the Secretariat and was awaiting the final report from ACC.

III. MEETINGS OF ORGANS AND PROGRAMMES NOT FUNDED FROM THE REGULAR BUDGET OF THE UNITED NATIONS

Introduction and overview

86. At its 6th meeting, on 11 October 1988, during the forty-third session of the General Assembly, the Fifth Committee requested the Secretariat to provide information to the Committee, including a description of the conference services provided to organs and programmes not funded from the regular budget of the United Nations and statements of the costs involved in providing services. At the same meeting, the Chairman of the Committee on Conferences indicated that the question could be included in the agenda of the Committee on Conferences.

87. At its 328th meeting, on 19 August 1991, the Committee on Conferences considered a report by the Secretary-General (A/AC.172/145), which included statistical information on the conference services utilized and focused on the technical and practical facets of providing conference services to organs and programmes not funded from the regular budget. The Committee's attention was drawn to concerns with regard to the scheduling of document-intensive bodies in the spring period.

Discussion

88. The view was expressed that if the funds were allocated to cover the provision of conference servicing, it could lead to a reduction of adequate funding for other activities, especially those in the field. In the interest of efficiency and better coordination, and in order to ensure continued concentration on field activities, the meetings should continue to be financed from the regular budget.

89. Another view expressed was that, given the financial solvency of the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) and the United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF) as compared to the United Nations, and in view of the recommendations of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions on the matter, the costs for conference servicing should not be borne by the regular budget of the United Nations. It was suggested that the United Nations might not be in a position to continue providing conference servicing depending on the prevailing financial situation.

90. It was also noted that, should meetings of the governing bodies continue to be financed from the regular budget, all meetings outside the calendar of conferences should be scheduled and serviced either on an ad hoc or reimbursable basis.

Conclusions and recommendations

91. The Committee took note of the statistical information provided by the Secretariat and of the appropriate technical measures currently in place to accommodate the required meetings. It was decided to return to the issue as and when necessary, depending on further developments with regard to the provision of conference services.

92. In view of the substantial amount of conference servicing provided, the Committee wished to appeal to the Governing Council of UNDP and to the Executive Board of UNICEF to review their meeting and documentation requirements, in the light of their significant financial implications.

IV. REQUESTS FOR EXCEPTIONS TO SECTION I, PARAGRAPH 7, OF GENERAL ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION 40/243

Introduction and overview

93. At its 329th meeting, on 19 August 1991, the Committee on Conferences considered a conference room paper containing requests from subsidiary bodies for exceptions to be made to section I, paragraph 7, of General Assembly resolution 40/243 of 18 December 1985, which states that no subsidiary organ of the General Assembly may meet at United Nations Headquarters during a regular session of the Assembly unless explicitly authorized by the Assembly.

94. In accordance with the procedure established by the Committee, the requests included explanations as to (a) why the bodies wished to meet; (b) why they had not completed their work by the deadline of 1 September laid down in section I, paragraph 6, of resolution 40/243; (c) why it was necessary to meet during the Assembly session; and (d) how many meetings would be required. Statistical information was also provided on the number of meetings, if any, the bodies concerned had held during the forty-fifth session of the Assembly and the efficiency with which they had utilized the resources made available to them.

95. In introducing the paper, the representative of the Secretariat noted that the following subsidiary organs had requested to meet during the forty-sixth session of the General Assembly: the Governing Council and the Standing Committee for Programme Matters of UNDP; the Committee on Relations with the Host Country; the Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People; the Special Committee against Apartheid; the Working Group on the Financing of the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East; the Committee of Trustees of the United Nations Trust Fund for South Africa; and the Advisory Committee on the United Nations Educational and Training Programme for Southern Africa.

Discussion

96. With regard to the request from the Governing Council and the Standing Committee for Programme Matters of UNDP, disappointment was expressed with the presentation and lack of complete information on the reasons for the proposed change in dates. The issues to be considered were defined as (a) whether the departure could be absorbed in the context of the approved calendar, and (b) whether providing conference services would lead to additional expenditure.

97. Clarification was sought with regard to the reference to "past experience", which had formed the basis for the number of meetings requested by the Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People. It was noted that some of the committees asking to meet during the forty-sixth session of the General Assembly did lose some of the meetings allocated to them in 1990 to late starting and early ending of meetings.

98. In response to those and other questions raised, the Secretariat provided further information on the modalities for accommodating meetings during the

Assembly only when services and facilities could be made available without adversely affecting the work of the General Assembly itself.

Conclusions and recommendations

99. The Committee decided that, in future, the letters submitted to the Committee should include as ample information as possible with regard to the reasons for the request and the anticipated number of meetings required.

100. The Committee decided to advise subsidiary organs to re-evaluate their reporting cycle with a view to completing their work prior to the regular session of the General Assembly and thus to obviate the need for routinely seeking exceptions to paragraph 7 of resolution 40/243 for completion of their annual reports to the General Assembly.

101. The Committee decided to draw attention to past performance in utilization of conference services allocated during regular sessions of the Assembly, and to invite subsidiary organs to make the maximum use of meetings allocated to them. It was further agreed that any changes in meeting dates should be sought by the subsidiary bodies when the totality of the membership concerned so requested.

102. The Committee noted that the Committee of Trustees of the United Nations Trust Fund for South Africa had, at the forty-fifth session, been able to complete its work in one meeting, with little wastage of conference-servicing time, and urged that Committee to continue its efforts in that regard. The Secretariat was requested to explore and advise on the possibility of an earlier cut-off date for financial information so that meetings of the Committee of Trustees and the Advisory Committee on the United Nations Educational and Training Programme for Southern Africa could be completed prior to regular sessions of the General Assembly.

103. The Committee wished to invite the Working Group on the Financing of the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East to maximize the use of conference services in future, and advised the Secretariat to link that meeting to the extent possible with others so that the full three-hour meeting period could be effectively utilized.

104. The Committee agreed to recommend to the General Assembly that it should explicitly authorize the following bodies to meet in New York during the forty-sixth session of the Assembly, taking into account the above recommendations with regard to future requests and on the understanding that meetings would have to be accommodated as facilities and services became available so that the activities of the General Assembly itself were not adversely affected: the Governing Council and the Standing Committee for Programme Matters of UNDP; the Committee on Relations with the Host Country; the Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People; the Special Committee against Apartheid; the Working Group on the Financing of the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East; the Committee of Trustees of the United Nations Trust Fund for South Africa; and the Advisory Committee on the United Nations Educational and Training Programme for Southern Africa.

V. REVIEW OF THE PROGRAMME PERFORMANCE OF THE UNITED NATIONS FOR THE BIENNIUM 1988-1989: DEPARTMENT OF CONFERENCE SERVICES

REVIEW OF THE PROPOSED PROGRAMME BUDGET FOR THE BIENNIUM 1992-1993: SECTION 32, CONFERENCE AND LIBRARY SERVICES

ROLE OF THE COMMITTEE ON CONFERENCES IN THE REVIEW OF THE DEPARTMENT OF CONFERENCE SERVICES

Introduction and overview

105. Pursuant to the provisions of General Assembly resolutions 39/238 of 18 December 1984 and 41/203 of 11 December 1986, the Committee on Conferences reviewed the programme performance of the Department of Conference Services for the biennium 1988-1989, as contained in document A/45/218/Add.1 of 27 April 1990.

106. At its 327th meeting, on 12 June 1991, the Committee decided to review the proposed programme budget for the biennium 1992-1993, 3/ section 32, Conference and library services, at its substantive session in August 1991.

107. In paragraph 10 of its resolution 44/196 A of 21 December 1989, the General Assembly took note of the Committee's intention to play a role in the review of the Department of Conference Services envisaged by the Secretary-General, on the understanding that the role would be in full accordance with its mandate and in conformity with Assembly resolution 43/222 B of 21 December 1988.

108. Subsequently, at its organizational meeting, on 6 March 1991, the Committee requested the Bureau of the Committee, together with the Secretariat, to consider the issues that might require review in the Department so that the Committee could consider them at its substantive session of 1991.

109. At its 328th meeting, on 19 August 1991, the Committee on Conferences adopted its programme of work for the substantive session. On the recommendation of the Bureau, and in view of the interconnection of the three above-cited agenda items, the Committee decided to consider and report on the items jointly. Pursuant to that decision, the Committee on Conferences reviewed the items at its 329th and 330th meetings on 19 and 20 August 1991.

110. In introducing the items, the Under-Secretary-General welcomed the Committee's decision to assume a role in reviewing the Department in a systematic manner and to engage in a periodic exchange of views and information on the issues faced in the context of past work (programme performance) and future goals (programme budget). In order to illuminate the quantitative information presented in the documents, the Secretariat presented an overview of the Department's work and the problems currently faced.

111. The Under-Secretary-General stated that neither the programme performance report nor the calendar of conferences in themselves provided complete information on expected departmental output in that: (a) statistics, such as those presented for the volume of work programmed and that actually delivered, were often misleading; and (b) additional requirements for conference services requested by intergovernmental bodies and consultative groups, the increased ad hoc requests for facilities and services, and the full impact of special conferences were not easily discernible in the calendar of conferences.

112. It was also recalled that the premise that formed the basis for proposed post reductions was the stabilization of the workload at the lower level dictated by financial constraints of the Organization, but that there had been an upward trend in the demand for conference services since the beginning of 1990 as compared to 1988-1989, which had required a greater reliance on temporary assistance staff than had been anticipated.

113. Further reductions in departmental "strategic reserve" were experienced owing to the increased activities of the Security Council and of the United Nations in peace-keeping activities.

114. The guidelines for preparing the proposed programme budget, namely, the medium-term plan for conference services, and stringent growth controls, were not always in full mutual accord, and, as such, budgetary constraints could limit the accomplishment of the activities envisaged in the first biennium of the medium-term plan. Specific reference was made to the full application of technologies throughout the Department, including the application of optical disc technology to the translation process.

Discussion

115. The view was expressed that programme productivity should be evaluated in terms of both qualitative and quantitative indices. This would then provide greater clarity for assessing the increases in efficiency, productivity, and quality, made possible by new technology, and the desirable ratio between equipment and staff.

116. Clarification was sought and provided by the representatives of the Office of Programme Planning, Budget and Finance on the recommendations made by CPC on revisions to the methodology and format of the programme budget and the programme performance report. It was noted that the views expressed by CPC and by the Committee on Conferences would be taken into account. The possibility of incorporating an overall table on conference services, including those of the regional commissions, into future proposed programme budgets would be taken into account. Specific reference was made to a seminar on the programme budget envisaged for 1992 and to the report on the methodology for monitoring and reporting the programme performance of the United Nations, which would be before the General Assembly at its forty-sixth session (A/46/173).

117. A certain amount of difficulty was experienced in attempting to review the programme budget at this time and in this manner and to determine the contribution that the Committee on Conferences could make. It was considered necessary to have the entire proposed programme budget rather than one

section. Selective review precluded the possibility of fully assessing the overall impact. In addition, the Committee on Conferences did not necessarily have the time and full expertise in budgetary matters necessary for a detailed and complete analysis.

118. It was noted that under paragraph 4 (e) of resolution 43/222 B, the Committee was to advise the General Assembly on the current and future requirements of the Organization for conference services, facilities and documentation. In this connection, conference services ranged from processing documentation to providing facilities and services. In order to fulfil this portion of its mandate, the Committee should consider the proposals of and situation in the Department so that it could explore the most effective and optimum means of using conference resources within intergovernmental bodies and within the Secretariat.

119. In response to questions raised, the Secretariat provided further information on the full spectrum of activities of the Department, including, but not limited to, the rationale employed in projections of workload; the procedures for distribution of documentation; the current ratio of permanent and temporary staff at headquarters locations, especially Geneva and Vienna; the relationship between internal and external printing; and the increases in productivity, efficiency and quality achieved and envisaged as a result of the introduction of new technologies throughout the Department.

120. With regard to the role of the Committee in the review of the Department, dissatisfaction was expressed at the lack of a written report, which would have presented the objectives and terms of reference of the study, as well as a timetable for reporting further.

121. The view was expressed that the role of the Committee was clearly spelt out in previous resolutions. The Bureau, in combining the three items, considered that it was placing before the Committee a unique opportunity to look at the Department. The Committee could finally decide on the need for other reviews, and should that be decided, it would be necessary to clearly spell out the terms of reference for the review.

Conclusions and recommendations

122. The Committee decided to take note of the efforts of the Secretariat to improve upon the methodology for programme performance.

123. With regard to the programme budget, the Committee requested the Department of Conference Services to continue to monitor developments affecting the performance of the Department, including, but not limited to:

(a) Issues that are not considered to be recurrent, such as ad hoc requests for facilities and services from regional groups, informal consultative groups and informal consultations convened by the presiding officers of the General Assembly and its Main Committees;

(b) The lack of adequate voting facilities at Headquarters;

(c) The number of special conferences and the effect this has on the calendar of conferences;

(d) The ratio between permanent and temporary staff, and the possible need to review the existing arrangements;

(e) The need to make every effort to reflect the gains in productivity, efficiency and quality from technological innovations in future programme budgets, including in revised budgetary estimates;

(f) The networked workstations for 1992-1993;

(g) The increasing need for interpretation services for bodies meeting at Vienna.

124. The Committee on Conferences concluded that it had identified the role it could play under its terms of reference as established in resolution 43/222 B, namely, the systematic and programmatic review of the workings of the Department of Conference Services. It agreed to continue to exercise that role. To that end, it requested the Department of Conference Services, in cooperation with the Bureau of the Committee, to consider the issues requiring review on the basis of paragraph 104 of document A/44/222, which mentions the plan to invite a "fresh outside look", during the biennium 1990-1991 to determine whether the productivity and efficiency of the Department could be further enhanced, including the terms of reference and time-scale of the review, and report accordingly to the Committee at its 1992 substantive session.

VI. APPLICATION OF NEW TECHNOLOGY TO CONFERENCE SERVICING

Introduction and overview

125. During its 1990 substantive session, the Committee on Conferences considered a conference room paper on the application of new technology to conference servicing. The Committee noted that, with its responsibility for making recommendations on conference servicing world wide, it should be fully informed of applications of new technologies, present and planned, for all conference centres of the United Nations, including those at the regional commissions. At the same session, the Committee requested the Secretariat to report to the Committee at its 1991 session on the system of interdepartmental cooperation of the Secretariat in the area of technology.

126. At its 328th meeting, on 19 August 1991, the Committee on Conferences considered a conference room paper prepared by the Secretariat on the subject. In introducing the item, the representative of the Secretariat informed the Committee that the report had been prepared in consultation with all United Nations conference centres, in order to supplement the information submitted to the Committee at its 1990 substantive session.

127. The present status of applications of new technology covered in the report included mainframe, minicomputer and microcomputer applications, as well as telecommunications, and were described in relation to the various aspects of conference servicing as follows: meetings planning, interpretation, documents control, editing, translation, text processing, printing and reproduction, distribution (including sales), and storage and retrieval of documents, as well as library services.

128. The Secretariat drew the attention of the Committee to the planned future applications of computer-based technology to conference-servicing activities as set out in the relevant portions of the medium-term plan for 1992-1997 and in the programme budget proposals for the biennium 1992-1993, with specific reference to the intended focus on the utilization of the United Nations telecommunications network linking conference services world wide so that the full texts of documents in all official languages can be stored, retrieved and transmitted world wide.

129. With reference to intra-Secretariat cooperation in the area of technology, the Secretariat reported that the Department of Conference Services participates actively in the work of the Technological Innovations Board. It was also intended to expand the Documents Records Information and Tracking System (DRITS) to author departments, thus enhancing the coordination between author departments and the processing units of the Department of Conference Services.

Discussion

130. While the information presented was welcomed as a comprehensive summary, the view was expressed that there was an uneven application of technologies throughout the system in such areas as computer-assisted translation, where some duty stations appeared to be further ahead than others. It was stated

that the United Nations could take fuller advantage of possible savings if efforts were concentrated at locations where labour costs were relatively high. It was also suggested that future reports on this item should indicate the gains of staff productivity that the new technology had introduced into the system. The need to avoid overambitious plans was expressed.

131. The close connection between new technologies and the availability of documentation was cited as an area in need of further investigation and clarity, specifically in terms of how the technology had reduced the time-frame necessary for issuing documents.

132. In response to questions raised, the representative of the Secretariat stated that gains in productivity would be realized once systems were fully installed, but would not be achieved by partial applications. In text processing, where the systems are fully operational, significant productivity gains had been reflected in increased workload standards. Once translation services were fully equipped with networked translation workstations, significant gains in productivity were expected. While in some cases, regional commissions with separate budget provisions, a smaller number of translators and a limited number of languages had achieved greater progress than Headquarters in applications of technology in the translation services, the general principle was to try to maintain an even pace in applying technologies, so that conference centres would maintain the ability to exchange documents and share work.

133. In view of the limited resources available for the acquisition of workstations for translators, emphasis had been given to the development of computer reference and terminology databases. Once such databases were established, providing access to additional users would not present technical problems, once resources were available for acquiring workstations. While new technologies, such as text processing, electronic publishing and bar coding of documents, would reduce processing time and facilitate distribution, the main problem in the timely distribution of documents was the time required to draft the document, rather than the time taken for processing texts.

Conclusions and recommendations

134. The Committee noted that the continued application of new technologies was not to be considered as an end in itself, but rather as a tool with which the Secretariat could achieve improvements in efficiency and cost-effectiveness, including in the quality of work achieved and the ability of the Secretariat to produce an increased volume of work with the same staffing resources. The Secretariat was requested to keep these objectives and goals in mind.

135. The Committee advised that the applications of new technologies should, to the extent possible, be introduced evenly throughout the United Nations, and requested that it be informed in future of the instances where this was not achieved, including an explanation of the reasons involved.

136. The Committee further requested that future reports from the Secretariat include an assessment on the extent to which new technology assisted in compliance with the six-week rule for issuance of pre-session documentation,

as well as the time-frame for realization of the projects referred to in the reports.

137. The Committee thus took note of the information presented in the conference room paper and decided to continue monitoring the applications of new technologies in the area of conference servicing, taking into account the conclusions and observations agreed upon by the Committee.

VII. OTHER BUSINESS

138. The Committee reviewed the Secretariat's practices and procedures for circulating letters and requested the Secretariat to ensure that members of the Committee received all relevant correspondence as a matter of routine.

VIII. ORGANIZATIONAL MATTERS

A. Terms of reference and membership

139. The General Assembly, in its resolution 43/222 B, decided to retain the Committee on Conferences as a permanent subsidiary organ. The Committee's present terms of reference can be found in paragraph 4 of that resolution.

140. By the same resolution, the Assembly decided that the Committee should be composed of 21 members to be appointed by the President of the Assembly, after consultations with the chairmen of the regional groups, for a period of three years, on the basis of the following geographical distribution:

(a) Six members from African States;

(b) Five members from Asian States;

(c) Four members from Latin American and Caribbean States;

(d) Two members from Eastern European States;

(e) Four members from Western European and other States.

141. The General Assembly further decided that one third of the Committee's membership should retire annually and that retiring members would be eligible for reappointment.

142. At the 63rd plenary meeting of the General Assembly, on 10 December 1990, the President of the General Assembly announced that the following Member States had been appointed for a three-year term commencing 1 January 1991: Chile, Cyprus, France, Gabon, Japan, Kenya and Union of Soviet Socialist Republics.

143. The Committee on Conferences for 1991 was composed of the following Member States: Austria, Chile, Cyprus, France, Gabon, Ghana, Honduras, Hungary, Indonesia, Iraq, Jamaica, Japan, Kenya, Liberia, Mexico, Mozambique, Pakistan, Uganda, Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, and United States of America.

B. Officers

144. The Committee elected the following officers to serve in 1991:

Chairman: Mr. Kwaku Dua Dankwa (Ghana)

Vice-Chairmen: Mr. Imre Karbuczky (Hungary)
Dr. George Kasoulides (Cyprus)
Ms. Maria Rotheiser (Austria)

Rapporteur: Mr. Jorge José Duhalt (Mexico)

145. The Committee also agreed in principle at its organizational session, held on 6 March 1991, that the Chairman would undertake informal consultations with a view to determining the composition of the Committee's Bureau in 1992.

C. Organization of work

146. At its organizational meeting, held on 6 March 1991, the Committee on Conferences agreed to meet as required to take up matters related to the calendar of conferences and its implementation, in particular the consideration of inter-sessional departures from the approved calendar. At the same meeting, the Committee requested the Secretariat to present a draft biennial agenda for 1992-1993 at the organizational session to be held in 1992.

147. The Committee met on 12 June 1991 to review the provisional calendar of conferences and meetings for 1992 and 1993 of the Economic and Social Council, and held its substantive session from 19 to 22 August 1991.

D. Programme of work

148. At its 305th meeting, on 9 February 1990, the Committee adopted a biennial agenda for 1990-1991, which was subsequently issued in document A/AC.172/132/Add.1.

149. At its organizational meeting, held on 6 March 1991, the agenda of the Committee on Conferences for 1991 was approved. It was later amended at the 327th meeting of the Committee, on 12 June 1991. The Under-Secretary-General for Conference Services and Special Assignments addressed the Committee at the opening of its organizational and substantive sessions.

150. Members of the Committee on Conferences took a tour of the Department of Conference Services on 22 August 1991, which included a hands-on demonstration of some of the latest technological innovations currently in use at Headquarters.

151. A list of documents considered by the Committee on Conferences since the close of its 1990 substantive session is contained in annex I to the present report.

IX. WORK OF THE COMMITTEE DURING THE FORTY-FIFTH SESSION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

152. No meetings were held by the Committee on Conferences during the forty-fifth session of the General Assembly. However, the Committee was seized with proposals by the Ad Hoc Committee of the Whole of the General Assembly for the Final Review and Appraisal of the United Nations Programme of Action for African Economic Recovery and Development, and by the Preparatory Committee for the World Conferences on Human Rights. The proposals involved exceptions to section I, paragraph 6, of General Assembly resolution 40/243 of 18 December 1985, by which the Assembly reaffirmed its instruction to all its subsidiary organs to complete their reports for the following session of the Assembly no later than 1 September.

153. The Committee was also seized with a request by the Intergovernmental Group to Monitor the Supply and Shipping of Oil and Petroleum Products to South Africa to meet at Headquarters during the forty-fifth session of the General Assembly.

154. Via written communication from the Chairman and the Secretary, the members of the Committee were informed that in the above cases the proposals would not cause administrative difficulties within the existing guidelines. On the basis of the information presented, the Committee agreed to the proposals.

Notes

1/ Official Records of the General Assembly, Forty-fifth Session, Supplement No. 32 and addendum and corrigendum (A/45/32 and Add.1 and Add.1/Corr.1).

2/ Ibid., Forty-first Session, Supplement No. 49 (A/41/49).

3/ Ibid., Forty-sixth Session, Supplement No. 6 (A/46/6/Rev.1).

ANNEX I

Documents submitted to the Committee on Conferences since the close of its 1990 substantive session

Symbol	Subject
A/45/218/Add.1	Programme performance of the United Nations for the biennium 1988-1989: report of the Secretary-General
A/AC.172/INF/12	List of members
A/AC.172/88/Add.9	Meeting statistics of United Nations organs
A/AC.172/143	Annotated provisional agenda
A/AC.172/143/Add.1 and Add.1/Rev.1	Agenda and programme of work for 1991
A/AC.172/144	Calendar of conferences and meetings of the United Nations for 1991
A/AC.172/145	Meetings of organs and programmes not funded from the regular budget of the United Nations
A/AC.172/1991/CRP.1	Consideration of the draft calendar of conferences and meetings of subsidiary organs of the Economic and Social Council for 1992 and 1993
A/AC.172/1991/CRP.2	Procedures with regard to inter-sessional departures from the approved calendar of conferences and meetings
A/AC.172/1991/CRP.3	Measures to improve the overall efficiency and effectiveness of the use of conference-servicing resources
A/AC.172/1991/CRP.4	Meeting statistics of United Nations organs, new methodology employed in compiling statistical information
A/AC.172/1991/CRP.5	Possibility of central planning and coordination of all organizational aspects of conference servicing
A/AC.172/1991/CRP.6	Existing conference resources, services and facilities within the United Nations
A/AC.172/1991/CRP.7	Application of new technology to conference servicing
A/AC.172/1991/CRP.8	Improved coordination of conferences within the United Nations system: implementation of General Assembly resolution 43/222 B, paragraph 4 (f)
A/AC.172/1991/CRP.9	Requests for exceptions to meet at Headquarters during the forty-sixth session of the General Assembly

Symbol	Subject
A/AC.172/1991/CRP.10	Draft calendar of conferences and meetings for 1992-1993
A/AC.172/1991/CRP.11	Status of documentation
A/AC.172/1991/CRP.12 (Add.1-13)	Draft report of the Committee on Conferences
A/46/6 (sect. 32)	Proposed programme budget for the biennium 1992-1993: Part VIII, Common Support Services, Conference and library services

ANNEX II

Draft calendar of conferences and meetings of the United Nations and of the principal organs of the specialized agencies, the International Atomic Energy Agency and the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade for the biennium 1992-1993

Explanatory notes

The following abbreviations are used in annex II:

In the column headed "Organ"

ECA	Economic Commission for Africa
ECE	Economic Commission for Europe
ECLAC	Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean
ESCAP	Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific
ESCWA	Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia
FAO	Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations
GATT	General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade
IAEA	International Atomic Energy Agency
ICAO	International Civil Aviation Organization
ICSC	International Civil Service Commission
IFAD	International Fund for Agricultural Development
ILO	International Labour Organisation
IMF	International Monetary Fund
IMO	International Maritime Organization
INSTRAW	International Research and Training Institute for the Advancement of Women
UNCTAD	United Nations Conference on Trade and Development
UNDP	United Nations Development Programme
UNEP	United Nations Environment Programme

UNHCR	Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees
UNICEF	United Nations Children's Fund
UNIDO	United Nations Industrial Development Organization
UNITAR	United Nations Institute for Training and Research
UNRWA	United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East
UNU	United Nations University
UPU	Universal Postal Union
WFC	World Food Council
WHO	World Health Organization
WIPO	World Intellectual Property Organization
WMO	World Meteorological Organization

In the column headed "Membership"

G	Governments
E	Experts
ST	Secretariat or secretariats

In the column headed "Servicing"

I	Interpretation
T	Translation
PV	Verbatim records
SR	Summary records

A. Draft calendar of conferences and meetings of the United Nations, 1992

(as at 22 August 1991)

	Organ	Dates (1992)	Location	Member-ship	Servicing a/		Periodicity
1.	Commission on Human Rights - Ad Hoc Working Group of Experts on Southern Africa [Economic and Social Council decision 1991/237]	6-17 January*	Geneva	6 E	I (EFS)	T -	
2.	Military Staff Committee [Charter]	10 January, once every fortnight thereafter	New York	5 G	I (CEFR)	T PV	Every second Friday
3.	Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women - Pre-sessional Working Group [General Assembly resolution 45/124]	13-17 January	New York	5 E	I (ACEFRS)	T -	One session per year
4.	Commission on Human Rights - Working Group on the Right and Responsibility of Individuals, Groups and Organs of Society to Promote and Protect Universally Recognized Human Rights and Fundamental Freedoms [Economic and Social Council resolution 1991/31]	13-24 January	Geneva	43 G	I (ACEFRS)	T -	

* Alternative date if the December 1991 session is not held.

	Organ	Dates (1992)	Location	Member-ship	Servicing a/			Periodicity
5.	Group of Qualified Governmental Experts to Undertake a Study of Defensive Security Concepts and Policies, second session [General Assembly resolution 45/58 O]	13-24 January	New York	12 E	I (ACEFRS)	T	-	
6.	States Parties to the International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination, fourteenth meeting [General Assembly resolution 2106 (XX)]	15 January	New York	128 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	One session every two years
7.	Economic and Social Council - election of Bureau [Charter]	20 January	New York	54 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	
8.	Commission on Human Rights - Working Group on Situations [Economic and Social Council resolution 1990/41]	20-24 January	Geneva	5 E	I (EFRS)	T	-	One session per year
9.	Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women, eleventh session [General Assembly resolution 34/180]	20-31 January	New York	23 E	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	One session per year
10.	Commission on Transnational Corporations, eighteenth session, first part [Economic and Social Council resolution 1913 (LVII)]	23-24 January	New York	48 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	-	One session per year

Organ	Dates (1992)	Location	Member-ship	Servicing a/			Periodicity
11. United Nations Commission on International Trade Law - Working Group on International Payments, twenty-fourth session [General Assembly resolution 2928 (XXVII)]	27 January-7 February	Vienna	36 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	-	Two sessions per year
12. Commission on Human Rights, forty-eighth session [Economic and Social Council resolution 9 (II)]	27 January-6 March	Geneva	53 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	One session per year
13. United Nations Staff Pension Committee [General Assembly resolution 248 (III)]	January (1 meeting)	New York	20 E	-	-	-	Three sessions of one meeting each per year
14. Consultative Committee on the United Nations Development Fund for Women, thirty-first session [General Assembly resolutions 33/133 and 39/125]	January/ February	New York	5 G	-	-	-	Two sessions per year
15. Conference on Disarmament, first part [General Assembly resolutions 1722 (XVI), S-10/2, 34/83 L and 45/62 D]	January-March (10 weeks)	Geneva	40 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	PV	One session in three parts per year
16. Committee on the Development and Utilization of New and Renewable Sources of Energy, sixth session [General Assembly resolution 37/250]	3-14 February	New York	159 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	-	One session every two years

	Organ	Dates (1992)	Location	Member-ship	Servicing a/			Periodicity
17.	Meeting of States Parties to the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women, sixth session [General Assembly resolution 34/180]	4 February	New York	104 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	-	One session every two years
18.	Economic and Social Council, organizational session [Charter]	4-7 February	New York	54 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	
19.	Committee on Crime Prevention and Control, Pre-sessional Working Group [Economic and Social Council resolution 1990/21]	6-7 February	Vienna	5 E	I (ACEFRS)	T	-	One session every two years
20.	United Nations Conference on Trade and Development, eighth session [General Assembly resolutions 1995 (XIX) and 45/261]	8-25 February*	Cartagena de Indias	b/	I (ACEFRS)	T	-	Once every four years
21.	UNDP - Governing Council, organizational meeting and special session, including Standing Committee for Programme Matters [General Assembly resolution 2029 (XX) and Governing Council decisions 85/17 and 90/23]	10-14 February	New York	48 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR c/	One session per year

* Preceded by two days of pre-conference consultations among senior officials on 6 and 7 February.

Organ	Dates (1992)	Location	Member-ship	Servicing a/	Periodicity
22. Committee on Crime Prevention and Control, twelfth session [Economic and Social Council resolutions 1979/19 and 1982/29]	10-19 February	Vienna	27 E	I (ACEFRS) T -	One session every two years
23. INSTRAW - Board of Trustees, twelfth session [General Assembly resolutions 33/187 and 34/157]	17-21 February	Santo Domingo	11 E	I (EFS) T -	One session per year
24. Committee on the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space - Scientific and Technical Subcommittee, twenty-ninth session [General Assembly resolution 1472 A (XIV)]	18-28 February	New York	53 G	I (ACEFRS) T -	One session per year
25. Commission on Narcotic Drugs - Subcommission on Illicit Drug Traffic and Related Matters in the Near and Middle East [Economic and Social Council resolution 1776 (LIV)]	24-25 February	Vienna	17 G	I (AE) T -	Two sessions per year
26. Committee for the United Nations Population Award [General Assembly resolution 36/201]	February (2 days)	New York	10 G	I (EFS) T -	One session per year
27. Investments Committee [General Assembly resolution 248 (III)]	February (1 day)	New York	9 E	- - -	Four meetings per year
28. United Nations/FAO World Food Programme Pledging Conference [General Assembly resolution 36/202]	February (1 day)	New York	171 G	I (ACEFRS) T -	

	Organ	Dates (1992)	Location	Member-ship	Servicing a/			Periodicity
29.	Special Committee on the Situation with regard to the Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples, organizational session [General Assembly resolution 1654 (XVI)]	February (1-2 meetings)	New York	25 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	PV c/	
30.	Preparatory Commission for the International Sea-Bed Authority and for the International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea, tenth session [General Assembly resolution 37/66]	February-March (4 weeks)	Kingston	157 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	-	
31.	UNCTAD - Working Party on the Medium-Term Plan and the Programme Budget, twenty-first session [UNCTAD resolution 114 (V) and Trade and Development Board decision 156 (XVII)]	2-6 March	Geneva	b/	I (ACEFRS)	T	-	Two sessions per year
32.	Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination, forty-first session [General Assembly resolution 2106 A (XX)]	2-20 March	Geneva	18 E	I (CEFRS)	T	SR	Two sessions per year
33.	Intergovernmental Working Group of Experts on International Standards of Accounting and Reporting, tenth session [Economic and Social Council resolution 1982/67]	5-13 March	New York	34 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	-	One session per year

	Organ	Dates (1992)	Location	Member-ship	Servicing a/			Periodicity
34.	ICSC, thirty-fifth session [General Assembly resolution 3357 (XXIX)]	9-27 March	New York	15 E	I (EFRS)	T	-	Two sessions per year
35.	Preparatory Committee for the United Nations Conference on Environment and Development, fourth session [General Assembly resolution 44/228]	9 March-3 April	New York	171 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	-	
36.	Commission on the Status of Women, thirty-sixth session [Economic and Social Council resolutions 11 (II), 1147 (XLI) and 1987/21]	11-20 March	Vienna	45 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	-	One session per year
37.	Human Rights Committee - Working Group on Communications [General Assembly resolution 2200 A (XXI)]	16-20 March	New York	5 E	I (EFRS)	T	-	Three sessions per year
38.	Scientific and Technical Committee on the International Decade for Natural Disaster Reduction, third session [General Assembly resolution 44/236]	16-20 March	Geneva	25 E	I (ACEFRS)	T	-	
39.	Committee on the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space - Legal Subcommittee, thirty-first session [General Assembly resolution 1472 A (XIV)]	16 March-3 April	Geneva	53 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	One session per year

	Organ	Dates (1992)	Location	Member-ship	Servicing a/	Periodicity
40.	Special Committee against Apartheid - Special Meeting in Observance of the International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination [General Assembly resolution 32/105 I]	20 March	New York	17 G	I T PV (ACEFRS)	
41.	Group of Governmental Experts to Carry Out a Study on the Application of Confidence-Building Measures in Outer Space, second session [General Assembly resolution 45/55 B]	23-27 March	New York	12 E	I T - (ACEFRS)	
42.	UNCTAD - Trade and Development Board, thirty-eighth session, second part [General Assembly resolution 1995 (XIX) and UNCTAD resolution 114 (V)]	23 March-3 April	Geneva	b/	I T - (ACEFRS)	One session in two parts per year
43.	Human Rights Committee, forty-fourth session [General Assembly resolution 2200 A (XXI)]	23 March-10 April	New York	18 E	I T SR (AEFRS)	Three sessions per year
44.	Commission on Narcotic Drugs, thirty-fifth session [Economic and Social Council resolutions 9 (I) and 1991/39]	30 March-8 April	Vienna	53 G	I T - (ACEFRS)	One session per year
45.	Committee on Information, fourteenth session [General Assembly resolution 33/115 C]	30 March-16 April	New York	78 G	I T - (ACEFRS)	One session per year

	Organ	Dates (1992)	Location	Member-ship	Servicing a/			Periodicity
46.	United Nations Joint Staff Pension Board - Standing Committee [General Assembly resolution 248 (III)]	March (1 week)	New York	9 E	I (EF)	T	-	Two sessions per year
47.	UNICEF - Executive Board, organizational session [Executive Board decision 1990/1]	March (2 days)	New York	41 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	
48.	United Nations Staff Pension Committee [General Assembly resolution 248 (III)]	March/April (1 day)	New York	20 E	-	-	-	Three sessions of one meeting each per year
49.	ESCAP, forty-eighth session [Economic and Social Council resolutions 37 (IV), 69 (V), and 723 B (XXVIII)]	March/ April	Beijing*	39 G	I (CEFR)	T	-	One session per year
50.	ECA - Technical Preparatory Committee of the Whole, thirteenth session [Economic and Social Council resolution 671 (XXV)]	March/ April	Windhoek*	51 G	I (AEF)	T	-	One session per year
51.	Special Committee on the Situation with regard to the Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples [General Assembly resolution 1654 (XVI)]	March/July (3-5 meetings per week)	New York	25 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	PV c/	Two sessions per year

* Subject to the approval of the General Assembly.

Organ	Dates (1992)	Location	Member-ship	Servicing a/	Periodicity
52. Committee of the Whole of the Commission on Narcotic Drugs [Economic and Social Council resolution 1991/39]	1-6 April (4 days)	Vienna	53 C	I (ACEFRS) T -	One session per year
53. United Nations Commission on International Trade Law - Working Group on International Contract Practices, seventeenth session [General Assembly resolution 33/92]	6-16 April	New York	36 G	I (ACEFRS) T -	Two sessions per year
54. ECE, forty-seventh session [Economic and Social Council resolution 36 (IV)]	7-15 April	Geneva	35 G	I (EFR) T -	One session per year
55. Commission on Transnational Corporations, eighteenth session, second part [Economic and Social Council resolution 1913 (LVII)]	8-15 April	New York	48 G	I (ACEFRS) T -	One session per year
56. Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions [General Assembly resolution 173 (II)]	15 April-20 May	New York	16 E	I (ACEFRS) T -	Two sessions per year
57. Committee for Programme and Coordination, organizational session [Economic and Social Council resolution 2008 (LX) and General Assembly resolution 31/93]	16 April	New York	34 G	I (ACEFRS) T -	One session per year

	Organ	Dates (1992)	Location	Member-ship	Servicing a/			Periodicity
58.	Committee for Development Planning, twenty-eighth session [Economic and Social Council resolutions 1079 (XXXIX) and 1625 (LI)]	20-24 April	New York	24 E	I (CEFRS)	T	-	One session per year
59.	Board of Trustees of the United Nations Voluntary Fund for Indigenous Populations [General Assembly resolution 40/131]	20-24 April	Geneva	5 E	I (EFRS)	T	-	One session per year
60.	Board of Trustees of the United Nations Voluntary Fund for Victims of Torture, eleventh session [General Assembly resolution 36/151]	22 April-1 May	Geneva	5 E	I (EFS)	T	-	One session per year
61.	UNCTAD - Committee on Invisibles and Financing related to Trade (Financing related to Trade), fourteenth session, first part [UNCTAD resolution 10 (I)]	23 April-1 May	Geneva	b/	I (ACEFRS)	T	-	Twice between sessions of the Conference
62.	Committee against Torture, eighth session [General Assembly resolution 39/46 A]	27 April-8 May	Geneva	10 E	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	Two sessions per year
63.	Commission on Human Rights - Working Group on Enforced or Involuntary Disappearances, thirty-sixth session [Economic and Social Council decision 1992/] d/	27 April-1 May	New York	5 E	I (AEFS)	T	-	

	Organ	Dates (1992)	Location	Member-ship	Servicing a/			Periodicity
64.	Economic and Social Council, resumed organizational session [Charter]	29-30 April	New York	54 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	
65.	UNDP - Governing Council, Standing Committee for Programme Matters, inter-sessional meeting [Governing Council decision 90/23]	April (4 days)	New York	48 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	-	
66.	Administrative Committee on Coordination, first regular session [Economic and Social Council resolution 13 (III)]	April (3 days)	Geneva	27 ST	I (EF)	T	-	Two sessions per year
67.	ECA - eighteenth meeting of the Conference of Ministers, twenty-seventh session of the Commission [Economic and Social Council resolution 671 (XXV)]	April	Windhoek*	51 G	I (AEF)	T	-	One session per year
68.	Disarmament Commission [General Assembly resolution S-10/2]	April-May (4 weeks)	New York	159 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	PV	One session per year
69.	UNCTAD - Committee on Economic Cooperation among Developing Countries, sixth session [UNCTAD resolution 127 (V) and Trade and Development Board decision 142 (XVI)]	4-12 May	Geneva	b/	I (ACEFRS)	T	-	Normally twice between sessions of the Conference

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	Organ	Dates (1992)	Location	Member-ship	Servicing a/			Periodicity
70.	United Nations Commission on International Trade Law, twenty-fifth session [General Assembly resolution 2205 (XXI)]	4-22 May	New York	36 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	One session per year
71.	Committee for Programme and Coordination, thirty-second session, first part [Economic and Social Council resolution 2008 (LX) and General Assembly resolution 31/93]	4-29 May	New York	34 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	-	One session per year
72.	UNDP - Governing Council, thirty-ninth session [General Assembly resolution 2029 (XX)]	4-29 May	Geneva	48 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	One session per year
73.	UNDP - Governing Council - Budgetary and Finance Committee [Decision of the twelfth session of the Governing Council]	4-29 May	Geneva	48 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	-	One session per year
74.	UNDP - Governing Council - Standing Committee for Programme Matters [Governing Council decision 90/23]	4-29 May	Geneva	48 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	-	
75.	International Law Commission, forty-fourth session [General Assembly resolution 174 (II)]	4 May-24 July	Geneva	34 E	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	One session per year
76.	UNITAR - Board of Trustees, thirtieth session [General Assembly resolution 1934 (XVIII)]	18-22 May	New York	28 E	I (AEFRS)	T	-	One session per year

	Organ	Dates (1992)	Location	Member-ship	Servicing a/			Periodicity
77.	UNCTAD - Special Committee on Preferences, nineteenth session [UNCTAD resolution 77 (III)]	18-26 May	Geneva	b/	I (ACEFRS)	T	-	One session per year
78.	Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions [General Assembly resolution 173 (II)]	20 May-4 June	Geneva	16 E	I (ACEFRS)	T	-	
79.	Committee on Food Aid Policies and Programmes, thirty-third session [General Assembly resolution 1714 (XVI)]	25-29 May	Rome	30 G	I (AEFS)	T	SR	Two sessions per year
80.	Trusteeship Council (and drafting committees), fifty-ninth session [Charter]	May (4 weeks)	New York	5 G	I (CEFR)	T	PV c/	One session per year
81.	International Narcotics Control Board, fifty-first session [Single Convention on Narcotic Drugs of 1961, article 11]	May (2 weeks)	Vienna	13 E	I (AEFRS)	T	-	Two sessions per year
82.	Investments Committee [General Assembly resolution 248 (III)]	May (1 day)	New York	9 E	-	-	-	Four meetings per year
83.	Advisory Committee on Science and Technology for Development, twelfth session [General Assembly resolution 34/218]	May	New York	28 E	I (ACEFRS)	T	-	One session per year

	Organ	Dates (1992)	Location	Member-ship	Servicing a/			Periodicity
84.	United Nations Joint Staff Pension Board - Committee of Actuaries [General Assembly resolution 1561 (XV), article XXIX]	May/June (1 week)	New York	6 E	I (ER)	T	-	One session per year
85.	Conference on Disarmament, second part [General Assembly resolutions 1722 (XVI), S-10/2, 34/83 L and 45/62 D]	May-June (7 weeks)	Geneva	40 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	PV	One session in three parts per year
86.	United Nations Conference on Environment and Development [General Assembly resolution 44/228]	1-12 June*	Rio de Janeiro	171 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	-	
87.	United Nations Administrative Tribunal [General Assembly resolution 351 A (IV)]	1-26 June	Geneva	7 E	I (EF)	T	PV e/	Two sessions per year
88.	Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions [General Assembly resolution 173 (II)]	4-12 June	Regional Commission	16 E	I (ACEFRS)	T	-	
89.	United Nations Scientific Committee on the Effects of Atomic Radiation, forty-first session [General Assembly resolution 913 (X)]	15-19 June	Vienna	21 G	I (CEFRS)	T	-	One session per year

* Pre-conference consultations will be held on 30 and 31 May.

	Organ	Dates (1992)	Location	Member-ship	Servicing a/			Periodicity
90.	UNICEF - Executive Board, Committee on Administration and Finance, Programme Committee [General Assembly resolution 57 (I)]	15-26 June	New York	41 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR c/	One session per year
91.	Committee on Contributions, fifty-second session [General Assembly resolution 173 (II)]	15 June-2 July	New York	18 E	I (ACEFRS)	T	-	One session per year
92.	Special Committee against Apartheid - Special Meeting in Observance of the International Day of Solidarity with the Struggling People of South Africa [General Assembly resolution 32/105 I]	16 June	New York	17 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	PV	
93.	Advisory Board on Disarmament Matters [General Assembly resolution 37/99 K]	19-25 June	New York	25 E	I (ACEFRS)	T	-	One session per year
94.	United Nations Commission on International Trade Law - Working Group on the New International Economic Order, fifteenth session [General Assembly resolution 33/92]	22 June-2 July	New York	36 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	-	Two sessions per year
95.	United Nations Board of Auditors [General Assembly resolution 74 (I)]	29 June-1 July	New York	3 E	-	-	-	Two sessions per year
96.	Economic and Social Council, regular session [Charter]	29 June-31 July	New York	54 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR c/	One session per year

Organ	Dates (1992)	Location	Member-ship	Servicing a/		Periodicity
97. Committee on the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space, thirty-fifth session [General Assembly resolution 1472 A (XIV)]	June (2 weeks)	New York	53 G	I (ACEFRS)	T PV	One session per year
98. UNU - Council, thirty-ninth session [General Assembly resolution 3081 (XXVIII)]	June (1 week)	Tokyo	27 E	I (EF)	T -	Two sessions per year
99. Commission on Narcotic Drugs - Meeting of Heads of National Drug Law Enforcement Agencies, African Region [Economic and Social Council resolutions 1985/11 and 1988/15]	Second quarter	Addis Ababa	51 G	I (AEF)	T -	One session per year
100. Human Rights Committee - Working Group on Communications [General Assembly resolution 2200 A (XXI)]	6-10 July	Geneva	5 E	I (EFRS)	T -	Three sessions per year
101. Committee of Experts on the Transport of Dangerous Goods - Subcommittee of Experts on the Transport of Dangerous Goods, sixth session [Economic and Social Council resolution 1989/104]	6-17 July	Geneva	14 G	I (CEFR)	T -	One or two sessions per year
102. Group of Qualified Governmental Experts to Undertake a Study of Defensive Security Concepts and Policies, third session [General Assembly resolution 45/58 O]	6-17 July	New York	12 E	I (ACEFRS)	T -	

Organ	Dates (1992)	Location	Member-ship	Servicing a/			Periodicity
103. Human Rights Committee, forty-fifth session [General Assembly resolution 2200 A (XXI)]	13-31 July	Geneva	18 E	I (AEFRS)	T	SR	Three sessions per year
104. Commission on Human Rights - Subcommission on Prevention of Discrimination and Protection of Minorities - Working Group on Contemporary Forms of Slavery [Economic and Social Council resolution 16 (LVI)]	20-24 July	Geneva	5 E	I (EFRS)	T	-	One session per year
105. Commission on Human Rights - Subcommission on Prevention of Discrimination and Protection of Minorities - Working Group on Communications [Economic and Social Council resolution 1503 (XLVIII)]	20-31 July	Geneva	5 E	I (EFRS)	T	-	One session per year
106. Commission on Human Rights - Subcommission on Prevention of Discrimination and Protection of Minorities - Working Group on Indigenous Populations [Economic and Social Council resolution 1982/34]	27-31 July	Geneva	5 E	I (EFRS)	T	-	One session per year
107. Group of Governmental Experts to Carry Out a Study on the Application of Confidence-Building Measures in Outer Space, third session [General Assembly resolution 45/55 B]	27 July-7 August	New York	12 E	I (ACEFRS)	T	-	

Organ	Dates (1992)	Location	Member-ship	Servicing a/			Periodicity
108. ICSC, thirty-sixth session [General Assembly resolution 3357 (XXIX)]	July (3 weeks)	New York	15 E	I (EFRS)	T	-	Two sessions per year
109. Special Committee on the Situation with regard to the Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples [General Assembly resolution 1654 (XVI)]	July/August (20 meetings)	New York	25 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	PV c/	Two sessions per year
110. United Nations Joint Staff Pension Board, forty-fourth session [General Assembly resolution 248 (III)]	July/August (1-2 weeks)	New York	33 E	I (EF)	T	-	One session per year
111. United Nations Joint Staff Pension Board - Standing Committee [General Assembly resolution 248 (III)]	July/August (1 day)	New York	9 E	I (EF)	T	-	Two sessions per year
112. Investments Committee [General Assembly resolution 248 (III)]	July/August (1 day)	New York	9 E	-	-	-	Four meetings per year
113. Conference on Disarmament, third part [General Assembly resolutions 1722 (XVI), S-10/2, 34/83 L and 45/62 D]	July-September (7 weeks)	Geneva	40 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	PV	One session in three parts per year
114. Commission on Human Rights - Ad Hoc Working Group of Experts on Southern Africa [Economic and Social Council decision 1991/237]	3-7 August	Geneva	6 E	I (EFS)	T	-	

Organ	Dates (1992)	Location	Member-ship	Servicing a/			Periodicity
115. Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination, forty-second session [General Assembly resolution 2106 A (XX)]	3-21 August	Geneva	18 E	I (CEFRS)	T	SR	Two sessions per year
116. Commission on Human Rights - Subcommission on Prevention of Discrimination and Protection of Minorities, forty-fourth session [Economic and Social Council resolution 9 (II)]	3-28 August	Geneva	26 E	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	One session per year
117. Special Committee against Apartheid - Special Meeting in Observance of the International Day of Solidarity with the Struggle of Women in South Africa [General Assembly resolution 36/172 K]	7 August	New York	17 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	PV	
118. United Nations Group of Experts on Geographical Names [Economic and Social Council resolutions 715 (XXVII) and 1314 (XLIV)]	24 August and 4 September	New York	80 E	I (ACEFRS)	T	-	
119. Sixth United Nations Conference on the Standardization of Geographical Names [Economic and Social Council decision 1988/116]	25 August-3 September	New York	171 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	-	

Organ	Dates (1992)	Location	Member-ship	Servicing a/			Periodicity
120. Committee for Programme and Coordination, thirty-second session, second part [Economic and Social Council resolution 2008 (LX) and General Assembly resolution 31/93]	31 August-11 September	New York	34 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	-	One session per year
121. United Nations Commission on International Trade Law - Working Group on International Payments, twenty-fifth session [General Assembly resolution 2928 (XXVII)]	31 August-11 September	New York	36 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	-	Two sessions per year
122. UNRWA - Advisory Commission [General Assembly resolution 302 (IV)]	August (1 day)	Vienna	10 G	I (AEF)	T	-	One session per year
123. Preparatory Commission for the International Sea-Bed Authority and for the International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea [General Assembly resolution 37/66]	August/ September (4 weeks)	Geneva, Kingston or New York	157 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	-	
124. Consultative Committee on the United Nations Development Fund for Women, thirty-second session [General Assembly resolutions 31/133 and 39/125]	August/ September	New York	5 G	-	-	-	Two sessions per year

Organ	Dates (1992)	Location	Member-ship	Servicing a/	Periodicity
125. UNCTAD - Working Party on the Medium-Term Plan and the Programme Budget, twenty-second session [UNCTAD resolution 114 (V) and Trade and Development Board decision 156 (XVII)]	3-9 September	Geneva	b/	I T - (ACEFRS)	Two sessions per year
126. Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions [General Assembly resolution 173 (II)]	8 September-December	New York	16 E	I T - (ACEFRS)	Two sessions per year
127. Twelfth meeting of States Parties to the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights [General Assembly resolution 2200 A (XXI)]	10 September	New York	87 G	I T SR (AEFRS)	One session every two years
128. Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights, Pre-sessional Working Group [Economic and Social Council resolution 1988/4]	14-18 September	Geneva	5 E	I T - (EFRS)	One session per year
129. Commission on Human Rights - Working Group on Enforced or Involuntary Disappearances, thirty-seventh session [Economic and Social Council decision 1992/] d/	14-18 September	Geneva	5 E	I T - (AEFS)	
130. General Assembly, forty-seventh session [Charter]	15 September-December	New York	159 G	I T PV/SR f/ (ACEFRS)	

Organ	Dates (1992)	Location	Member-ship	Servicing a/			Periodicity
131. UNCTAD - Trade and Development Board, thirty-ninth session, first part [General Assembly resolution 1995 (XIX) and UNCTAD resolution 114 (V)]	21 September-2 October	Geneva	b/	I (ACEFRS)	T	-	One session in two parts per year
132. UNDP - Governing Council - Standing Committee for Programme Matters, inter-sessional meeting [Governing Council decision 90/23]	September (4 days)	New York	48 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	-	
133. United Nations Staff Pension Committee [General Assembly resolution 248 (III)]	September/ October (1 meeting)	New York	20 E	-	-	-	Three sessions of one meeting each per year
134. Commission on Narcotic Drugs - Meeting of Heads of National Drug Law Enforcement Agencies, Latin American and Caribbean Region [Economic and Social Council resolutions 1987/34 and 1988/15]	Third quarter	Santiago	47 G	I (EFS)	T	-	One session per year
135. UNHCR - Executive Committee, forty-third session [General Assembly resolution 1166 (XII)]	5-9 October	Geneva	44 G	I (ACEFS)	T	SR	One session per year
136. Special Committee against Apartheid - Special Meeting in Observance of the International Day of Solidarity with South African Political Prisoners [General Assembly resolution 32/105 I]	9 October	New York	17 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	PV	

Organ	Dates (1992)	Location	Member-ship	Servicing a/			Periodicity
137. Scientific and Technical Committee on the International Decade for Natural Disaster Reduction, fourth session [General Assembly resolution 44/236]	12-16 October	Geneva	25 E	I (ACEFRS)	T	-	
138. Human Rights Committee - Working Group on Communications [General Assembly resolution 2200 A (XXI)]	12-16 October	Geneva	5 E	I (EFRS)	T	-	Three sessions per year
139. UNCTAD - Intergovernmental Group of Experts on Restrictive Business Practices, eleventh session [TD/B/RPB/CONF.10/Rev.1, sect. G, para. 6, endorsed by General Assembly resolution 35/63]	19-23 October	Geneva	b/	I (ACEFRS)	T	-	One session per year
140. Human Rights Committee, forty-sixth session [General Assembly resolution 2200 A (XXI)]	19 October-6 November	Geneva	18 E	I (AEFRS)	T	SR	Three sessions per year
141. UNCTAD - Committee on Shipping, fifteenth session [Trade and Development Board decision 11 (I)]	26 October-3 November	Geneva	b/	I (ACEFRS)	T	-	Twice between sessions of the Conference
142. International Narcotics Control Board, fifty-second session [Single Convention on Narcotic Drugs of 1961, article 11]	October (3 weeks)	Vienna	13 E	I (AEFRS)	T	-	Two sessions per year

Organ	Dates (1992)	Location	Member-ship	Servicing a/	Periodicity
143. Joint Meetings of the Committee for Programme and Coordination and the Administrative Committee on Coordination [Economic and Social Council resolution 2008 (LX) and General Assembly resolution 31/93]	October (3 days)	New York	34 G 27 ST	I T - (ACEFRS)	One session per year
144. Administrative Committee on Coordination, second regular session [Economic and Social Council resolution 13 (III)]	October (3 days)	New York	27 ST	I T - (EF)	Two sessions per year
145. United Nations Administrative Tribunal [General Assembly resolution 351 (IV)]	October/ November (5 weeks)	New York	7 E	I T PV e/ (EF)	Two sessions per year
146. UNCTAD - Working Group on International Shipping Legislation, fourteenth session [Trade and Development Board decision 46 (VII)]	9-13 November	Geneva	b/	I T - (ACEFRS)	One session per year
147. Committee against Torture, ninth session [General Assembly resolution 39/46 A]	9-20 November	Geneva	10 E	I T SR (EFRS)	Two sessions per year
148. UNCTAD - Committee on Invisibles and Financing related to Trade, (Insurance), fourteenth session, second part [Trade and Development Board decision 10 (I)]	16-20 November	Geneva	b/	I T - (ACEFRS)	Twice between sessions of the Conference

Organ	Dates (1992)	Location	Member-ship	Servicing a/			Periodicity
149. Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights, seventh session [Economic and Social Council resolutions 1982/33 and 1985/17]	23 November-11 December	Geneva	18 E	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	One session per year
150. Panel of External Auditors of the United Nations, the Specialized Agencies and the International Atomic Energy Agency [General Assembly resolution 347 (IV)]	24 November-1 December	New York	9 E	I (EF)	-	-	One session per year
151. Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People - Special Meeting in Observance of the International Day of Solidarity with the Palestinian People [General Assembly resolutions 32/40 B and 33/28]	30 November	New York	23 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	PV	
152. UNCTAD - Committee on Manufactures, thirteenth session [Trade and Development Board decision 9 (I)]	30 November-8 December	Geneva	b/	I (ACEFRS)	T	-	Twice between sessions of the Conference
153. Investments Committee [General Assembly resolution 248 (III)]	November (1 day)	New York	9 E	-	-	-	Four meetings per year
154. United Nations Pledging Conference for Development Activities [General Assembly resolution 32/197]	November (1 day)	New York	171 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	-	

Organ	Dates (1992)	Location	Member-ship	Servicing a/			Periodicity
155. Ad Hoc Committee of the General Assembly for the Announcement of Voluntary Contributions to the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East [General Assembly resolution 1729 (XVI)]	November (1 meeting)	New York	171 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	-	One meeting per year
156. Ad hoc Committee of the General Assembly for the Announcement of Voluntary Contributions to the Programme of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees [General Assembly resolution 1729 (XVI)]	November (1 meeting)	New York	171 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	-	One meeting per year
157. United Nations Board of Auditors [General Assembly resolution 74 (I)]	2-3 December	New York	3 E	-	-	-	Two sessions per year
158. Commission on Human Rights - Working Group on Enforced or Involuntary Disappearances, thirty-eighth session [Economic and Social Council decision 1992/] d/	2-11 December	Geneva	5 E	I (AEFS)	T	-	
159. Committee on Food Aid Policies and Programmes, thirty-fourth session [General Assembly resolution 1714 (XVI)]	7 December	Rome	30 G	I (AEFS)	T	SR	Two sessions per year

Organ	Dates (1992)	Location	Member-ship	Servicing a/	Periodicity
160. UNCTAD - Committee on Tungsten, twenty-fourth session [Trade and Development Board decision 198 (XIX)]	7-12 December	Geneva	b/	I (ACEFRS) T -	One session per year
161. Committee of Experts on the Transport of Dangerous Goods, seventeenth session [Economic and Social Council resolutions 645 G (XXIII) and 1989/104]	7-16 December	Geneva	14 G	I (CEFR) T -	One session every two years
162. Commission on Human Rights - Ad Hoc Working Group of Experts on Southern Africa [Economic and Social Council decision 1991/237]	7-19 December	Geneva	6 E	I (EFS) T -	
163. UNU - Council, fortieth session [General Assembly resolution 3081 (XXVIII)]	December (1 week)	Tokyo	27 E	I (EF) T -	Two sessions per year
164. UNDP - Inter-Agency Consultative Meeting [General Assembly resolution 32/197]	December (3 days)	New York	33 ST	- - -	
165. Disarmament Commission, organizational session [General Assembly resolution S-10/2]	December (2 days)	New York	159 G	I (ACEFRS) T PV	One session per year
166. Advisory Committee on the United Nations Programme of Assistance in the Teaching, Study, Dissemination and Wider Appreciation of International Law, twenty-seventh session [General Assembly resolution 2099 (XX)]	December (2 days)	New York	13 G	I (ACEFRS) T -	One session per year

Organ	Dates (1992)	Location	Member-ship	Servicing a/	Periodicity
167. United Nations Commission on International Trade Law - Working Group on the New International Economic Order, sixteenth session [General Assembly resolution 33/92]	Fourth quarter (2 weeks)	Vienna	36 G	I (ACEFRS) T -	Two sessions per year
168. United Nations Commission on International Trade Law - Working Group on International Contract Practices, eighteenth session [General Assembly resolution 33/92]	Fourth quarter (2 weeks)	Vienna	36 G	I (ACEFRS) T -	Two sessions per year
169. Commission on Narcotic Drugs - Meeting of Heads of National Drug Law Enforcement Agencies, European Region [Economic and Social Council resolution 1990/30]	Fourth quarter	Vienna	35 G	I (EFR) T -	One session per year
170. Commission on Narcotic Drugs - Ministerial-level Meeting of the Subcommission on Illicit Drug Traffic and Related Matters in the Near and Middle East [Economic and Social Council resolutions 1776 (LIV) and 1991/42]	Fourth quarter	A capital in the region	17 G	I (AE) T -	Two sessions per year

Organ	Dates (1992)	Location	Member-ship	Servicing a/			Periodicity
171. Commission on Narcotic Drugs - Meeting of Heads of National Drug Law Enforcement Agencies, Asia and Pacific Region [Economic and Social Council resolutions 1985/11 and 1988/15]	Fourth quarter	Bangkok	39 G	I (CEFR)	T	-	One session per year
172. Security Council [Charter]	As required	New York	15 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	PV	As required
173. Security Council - Committee established under Security Council resolution 421 (1977) concerning the question of South Africa	As required	New York	15 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	As required
174. Security Council Committee of Experts [Decision taken by the Security Council at its 1st meeting, 1946]	As required	New York	15 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	As required
175. Security Council - Committee of Experts established by the Security Council at its 1506th meeting	As required	New York	15 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	As required
176. Security Council - Ad Hoc Subcommittee on Namibia [Security Council resolutions 276 (1970) and 283 (1970)]	As required	New York	15 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	As required

Organ	Dates (1992)	Location	Member-ship	Servicing a/			Periodicity
177. Security Council - Committee on the Admission of New Members [Decision taken by the Security Council at its 42nd meeting, 1946]	As required	New York	15 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	As required
178. Security Council - Committee on Council Meetings away from Headquarters [Decision taken by the Security Council at its 1625th meeting]	As required	New York	15 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	As required
179. Security Council - Ad Hoc Committee established under Security Council resolution 507 (1982)	As required	New York	4 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	As required
180. Security Council - Commission established under Security Council resolution 446 (1979)	As required	New York	3 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	As required
181. Security Council Committee established by resolution 661 (1990) concerning the situation between Iraq and Kuwait	As required	New York	15 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	As required
182. Special Committee on Peace-keeping Operations and its Working Group [General Assembly resolution 2006 (XIX)]	As required	New York	34 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	-	As required
183. Special Committee against Apartheid [General Assembly resolution 1761 (XVII)]	As required	New York	17 G	I (AEFRS)	T	SR	As required

Organ	Dates (1992)	Location	Member-ship	Servicing a/	Periodicity
184. Committee on Relations with the Host Country [General Assembly resolution 2819 (XXVI)]	As required	New York	15 G	I (ACEFRS) T -	As required
185. Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People [General Assembly resolution 3376 (XXX)]	As required	New York	23 G	I (ACEFRS) T SR	As required
186. United Nations Conciliation Commission for Palestine [General Assembly resolution 194 (III)]	As required	New York	3 G	I (EF) T -	As required
187. Trust Committee for the United Nations Fund for Namibia [General Assembly resolution 44/243 B]	As required	New York	10 G	I (EFS) T -	As required
188. Committee on Conferences [General Assembly resolution 43/222 B]	As required	New York	21 G	I (AEFRS) T -	
189. UNCTAD - other commodity conferences and commodity meetings [Trade and Development Board decision 7 (I)]	As required (up to 24 weeks)	Geneva	b/	I (ACEFRS) T -	As required
190. UNCTAD - other working parties, study groups and expert groups (convened by virtue of a special resolution in each particular case)	As required (up to 11 weeks)	Geneva	G or E	I (ACEFRS) T -	As required
191. Committee on Applications for Review of Administrative Tribunal Judgements [General Assembly resolution 957 (X)]	If required	New York	29 G	I (ACEFRS) T PV	If required

Organ	Dates (1992)	Location	Member-ship	Servicing a/	Periodicity
192. Expert Group Meeting on Changes in the Distribution of Population [Economic and Social Council resolution 1991/93] g/	To be determined (1 week)	New York	15 E	I (ACEFRS)	T -
193. Expert Group Meeting on Women and Population [Economic and Social Council resolution 1991/93] g/	To be determined (1 week)	New York	15 E	I (ACEFRS)	T -
194. Expert Group Meeting on Family-Planning Programmes [Economic and Social Council resolution 1991/93] g/	To be determined (1 week)	New York	15 E	I (ACEFRS)	T -
195. Expert Group Meeting on Population Growth and Changes in Demographic Structure [Economic and Social Council resolution 1991/93] g/	To be determined (1 week)	New York	15 E	I (ACEFRS)	T -
196. Expert Group Meeting on Population Policies and Programmes [Economic and Social Council resolution 1991/93] g/	To be determined (1 week)	New York	15 E	I (ACEFRS)	T -
197. Expert Group Meeting on the Interrelationship between Population, Development and Environment [Economic and Social Council resolution 1991/93] g/	To be determined (1 week)	New York	15 E	I (ACEFRS)	T -
198. Fourth Meeting of Chairpersons of Human Rights Treaty Bodies [General Assembly resolution 45/85]	To be determined (1 week)	Geneva	To be deter-mined	I (EFRS)	T -

Organ	Dates (1992)	Location	Member-ship	Servicing a/		Periodicity
199. European Regional Preparatory Meeting for the International Conference on Population and Development [Economic and Social Council resolution 1991/93] g/	To be determined (1 week)	Geneva	35 G	I (EFR)	T -	
200. African Regional Preparatory Meeting for the International Conference on Population and Development [Economic and Social Council resolution 1991/93] g/	To be determined (1 week)	Addis Ababa	51 G	I (AEF)	T -	
201. Western Asian Regional Preparatory Meeting for the International Conference on Population and Development [Economic and Social Council resolution 1991/93] g/	To be determined (1 week)	Baghdad	13 G	I (AEF)	T -	
202. ESCWA, sixteenth session [Economic and Social Council resolutions 1818 (LV) and 2089 (XIII)]	To be determined (1 week)	Baghdad	13 G	I (AEF)	T -	One session every two years
203. Latin American and the Caribbean Regional Preparatory Meeting for the International Conference on Population and Development [Economic and Social Council resolution 1991/93] g/	To be determined (1 week)	Santiago	47 G	I (EFS)	T -	

Organ	Dates (1992)	Location	Member-ship	Servicing a/			Periodicity
204. Asian and the Pacific Regional Preparatory Meeting for the International Conference on Population and Development [Economic and Social Council resolution 1991/93] g/	To be determined (1 week)	Bangkok	39 G	I (CEFR)	T	-	
205. Commission against Apartheid in Sports [General Assembly resolution 40/64 G]	To be determined (7 days)	New York	15 E	I (ACEFRS)	T	-	One session per year
206. Intergovernmental Group to Monitor the Supply and Shipping of Oil and Petroleum Products to South Africa [General Assembly resolution 42/23 F]	To be determined (4 days)	New York	11 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	-	
207. Meeting of States Parties to the International Convention against Apartheid in Sports [General Assembly resolution 40/64 G]	To be determined (1 day)	New York	43 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	-	
208. First Meeting of the States Parties to the International Convention on the Protection of the Rights of All Migrant Workers and Members of Their Families [General Assembly resolution 45/158]	To be determined (1 day)	New York	To be deter-mined	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	To be held six months after the Convention enters into force
209. Special High-level Council for the International Decade for Natural Disaster Reduction [General Assembly resolution 44/236]	To be determined (1 day)	Geneva	6 E	I (ACEFRS)	T	-	One session per year

Organ	Dates (1992)	Location	Member-ship	Servicing a/			Periodicity
210. Advisory Committee on the United Nations Educational and Training Programme for Southern Africa [General Assembly resolution 2431 (XXIII)]	To be determined	New York	13 G	I (EFRS)	T	-	As required
211. Committee of Trustees of the United Nations Trust Fund for South Africa [General Assembly resolution 2054 B (XX)]	To be determined	New York	5 G	I (EFS)	T	-	As required
212. Committee for Development Planning - Working Group I [Economic and Social Council resolutions 1079 (XXXIX) and 1625 (LI)]	To be determined	New York	24 E	I (CEFRS)	T	-	One session per year
213. Committee for Development Planning - Working Group III [Economic and Social Council resolutions 1079 (XXXIX) and 1625 (LI)]	To be determined	New York	24 E	I (CEFRS)	T	-	One session per year
214. Commission on Human Rights - Working Group on Arbitrary Detention [Economic and Social Council decision 1991/243]	To be determined	Geneva	5 E	To be deter-mined	-	-	
215. Commission on Human Rights - Seminar on the Realization in all Countries of Economic, Social and Cultural Rights [Economic and Social Council decision 1991/235]	To be determined	Geneva	To be deter-mined	I (EFRS)	T	-	

Organ	Dates (1992)	Location	Member-ship	Servicing a/			Periodicity
216. Committee on the Rights of the Child [General Assembly resolution 44/25]	To be determined	Geneva	10 E	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	One session per year
217. Committee for Development Planning - Working Group II [Economic and Social Council resolutions 1079 (XXXIX) and 1625 (LI)]	To be determined	Geneva	24 E	I (CEFRS)	T	-	One session per year
218. WFC, eighteenth ministerial session [General Assembly resolution 3348 (XXIX)]	To be determined	Rome	36 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	-	One session per year
219. ECLAC, twenty-fourth session [Economic and Social Council resolution 106 (VI), Economic and Social Council decision 1985/188 and ECLAC resolution 465 (XX)]	To be determined	Santiago	47 G	I (EFS)	T	-	One session every two years
220. Meeting between representatives of the Secretariat of the United Nations and of the General Secretariat of the League of Arab States [General Assembly resolution 45/82]	To be determined	To be determined	27 ST	I (AEF)	T	-	One session per year
221. Meeting between the secretariat of the Organization of the Islamic Conference and the secretariats of the United Nations system [General Assembly resolution 37/4]	To be determined	To be determined	27 ST	I (AEF)	T	-	One session per year

List of bodies whose mandates are to be presented for renewal to the General Assembly at its forty-sixth session

	Organ	Dates (1992)	Location	Member-ship	Servicing a/		
1.	Ad Hoc Committee on the Indian Ocean	To be determined	New York	44 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR
2.	Special Committee on the Charter of the United Nations and on the Strengthening of the Role of the Organization	To be determined	New York	47 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	-
3.	Working Group on the Financing of the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East	To be determined	New York	9 G	I (EF)	T	-
4.	Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices Affecting the Human Rights of the Palestinian People and Other Arabs of the Occupied Territories	To be determined	Geneva	3 G	I (AEF)	T	PV c/
5.	Intergovernmental Negotiating Committee for a Framework Convention on Climate Change	To be determined	Geneva	171 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	-
6.	Preparatory Committee for the World Conference on Human Rights	To be determined	Geneva	171 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	-

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a/ The languages in which interpretation will be provided are indicated. Languages in which translation and meeting records will be provided vary according to the rules of procedure applicable to the body concerned and, in the case of some working groups and similar bodies, according to the actual requirements when less than would be provided under the rules of procedure.

b/ Open to the participation of all interested States members of UNCTAD (UNCTAD resolution 80 (III), para. 9).

c/ For plenary meetings only.

d/ Bodies whose mandates are due to expire, but are expected to be presented for renewal to the Economic and Social Council at its upcoming sessions.

e/ When holding oral hearings.

f/ It has been the practice to provide verbatim records for plenary meetings and First Committee meetings only.

g/ Scheduled to take place in 1992 or 1993 in preparation for the International Conference on Population and Development in 1994.

B. Draft calendar of conferences and meetings of the principal organs of the specialized agencies, the International Atomic Energy Agency and the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade, 1992

	Organ	Dates (1992)	Location
1.	IFAD - Governing Council, fifteenth session	21-23 January	Rome
2.	WMO - International Conference on Water and the Environment	26-31 January	Dublin
3.	WHO - Executive Board, eighty-ninth session	January (2 weeks)	Geneva
4.	ILO - Governing Body and its Committees, two hundred and fifty-second session	20 February-6 March	Geneva
5.	ICAO - Council, one hundred and thirty-fifth session	24 February-27 March	Montreal
6.	IAEA - Board of Governors	25 February (3 or 4 days)	Vienna
7.	UPU - Executive Council	April-May	Berne
8.	WHO - World Health Assembly, forty-fifth session	4-15 May	Geneva
9.	IAEA - Administrative and Budgetary Committee	5 May	Vienna
10.	WHO - Executive Board, ninetieth session	18-19 May	Geneva
11.	UNIDO - Industrial Development Board, ninth session	18-22 May	Vienna
12.	ILO - Governing Body and its Committees, two hundred and fifty-third session	21-30 May	Geneva
13.	ICAO - Council, one hundred and thirty-sixth session	25 May-30 June	Montreal
14.	ILO - General Conference, seventy-ninth session	3-24 June	Geneva

	Organ	Dates (1992)	Location
15.	IAEA - Board of Governors	15 June (3 or 4 days)	Vienna
16.	WMO - Executive Council, forty-fourth session	22 June-4 July	Geneva
17.	UNIDO - Programme and Budget Committee, eighth session	29 June-3 July	Vienna
18.	IMO - Council	June (1 week)	London
19.	IAEA - Board of Governors	16 September	Vienna
20.	IAEA - General Conference	21-25 September	Vienna
21.	WIPO - Governing bodies	21-29 September	Geneva
22.	IMF/World Bank - annual meetings of the Boards of Governors	22-24 September	Washington, D.C.
23.	IAEA - Board of Governors	28 September	Vienna
24.	IMO - Council	October-November (1 week)	London
25.	UNIDO - Industrial Development Board, tenth session	2-6 November	Vienna
26.	ILO - Governing Body and its Committees, two hundred and fifty-fourth session	5-20 November	Geneva
27.	FAO - Council, one hundred and second session	9-20 November	Rome
28.	ICAO - Council, one hundred and thirty-seventh session	16 November-18 December	Montreal
29.	IAEA - Board of Governors (Technical Assistance and Cooperation Committee)	24 November	Vienna
30.	GATT - Contracting Parties, forty-seventh session	2-6 December	Geneva
31.	IAEA - Board of Governors	8 December	Vienna

C. Draft calendar of conferences and meetings of the United Nations, 1993

(as at 22 August 1991)

Organ	Dates (1993)	Location	Member-ship	Servicing a/	Periodicity
1. Commission on Human Rights - Ad Hoc Working Group of Experts on Southern Africa [Economic and Social Council decision 1991/237]	4-15 January*	Geneva	6 E	I (EFS) T -	
2. Military Staff Committee [Charter]	8 January, once every fortnight thereafter	New York	5 G	I (CEFR) T PV	Every second Friday
3. Fifth United Nations Cartographic Conference for the Americas [Economic and Social Council decision 1989/116]	11-15 January	New York	47 G	I (EFS) T -	
4. Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women - Pre-sessional Working Group [General Assembly resolution 45/124]	11-15 January	Vienna	5 E	I (ACEFRS) T -	One session per year
5. Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations [Economic and Social Council resolutions 3 (II) and 1296 (XLIV)]	18-29 January	New York	19 G	I (AEFRS) T -	One session every two years

* Alternative date if the December 1992 session is not held.

	Organ	Dates (1993)	Location	Member-ship	Servicing a/			Periodicity
6.	Eleventh Meeting of Experts on the United Nations Programme in Public Administration and Finance [Economic and Social Council decision 1989/114]	18-29 January	New York	22 E	I (ACEFRS)	T	-	
7.	Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women, twelfth session [General Assembly resolution 34/180]	18-29 January	Vienna	23 E	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	One session per year
8.	Economic and Social Council - Election of Bureau [Charter]	22 January	New York	54 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	
9.	Commission on Human Rights - Group of Three established under the International Convention on the Suppression and Punishment of the Crime of Apartheid [General Assembly resolution 3068 (XXVIII)]	25-29 January	Geneva	3 G	I (AEFRS)	T	-	One session every two years
10.	Commission on Human Rights - Working Group on Situations [Economic and Social Council resolution 1990/41]	25-29 January	Geneva	5 E	I (EFRS)	T	-	One session per year

	Organ	Dates (1993)	Location	Member-ship	Servicing a/			Periodicity
11.	Commission on Human Rights - Working Group on the Right and Responsibility of Individuals, Groups and Organs of Society to Promote and Protect Universally Recognized Human Rights and Fundamental Freedoms [Economic and Social Council resolution 1992/...] b/	25-29 January	Geneva	43 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	-	
12.	United Nations Staff Pension Committee [General Assembly resolution 248 (III)]	January (1 meeting)	New York	20 E	-	-	-	Three sessions of one meeting each per year
13.	UNCTAD - Committee on Transfer of Technology, ninth session [Trade and Development Board decision 117 (XIV)]	January	Geneva	c/	I (ACEFRS)	T	-	Normally twice between sessions of the Conference
14.	Conference on Disarmament, first part [General Assembly resolutions 1722 (XVI), S-10/2 and 34/83 L]	January-March (10 weeks)	Geneva	40 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	PV	One session in three parts per year
15.	Consultative Committee on the United Nations Development Fund for Women, thirty-third session [General Assembly resolutions 31/133 and 39/125]	January/ February	New York	5 G	-	-	-	Two sessions per year
16.	Commission for Social Development thirty-third session [Economic and Social Council resolutions 10 (II), 1139 (XLI) and 1147 (XLI)]	1-10 February	Vienna	32 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	-	One session every two years

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17.	Commission on Human Rights, forty-ninth session [Economic and Social Council resolution 9 (II)]	1 February-12 March	Geneva	53 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	One session per year
18.	Economic and Social Council, organizational session [Charter]	2-5 February	New York	54 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	One session per year
19.	UNCTAD - Working Party on the Medium-Term Plan and the Programme Budget, twenty-third session [UNCTAD resolution 114 (V) and Trade and Development Board decision 156 (XVII)]	February	Geneva	c/	I (ACEFRS)	T	-	
20.	INSTRAW - Board of Trustees, thirteenth session [General Assembly resolutions 33/187 and 34/157]	15-19 February	Santo Domingo	11 E	I (EFS)	T	-	One session per year
21.	Statistical Commission, twenty-seventh session [Economic and Social Council resolutions 8 (I), 8 (II) and 1566 (L)]	22 February-3 March	New York	24 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	-	One session every two years
22.	Commission on Narcotic Drugs - Subcommission on Illicit Drug Traffic and Related Matters in the Near and Middle East [Economic and Social Council resolution 1776 (LIV)]	25-26 February	Vienna	17 G	I (AE)	T	-	Two sessions per year

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23.	Committee on the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space - Scientific and Technical Subcommittee, thirtieth session [General Assembly resolution 1472 A (XIV)]	February (2 weeks)	New York	53 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	-	One session per year
24.	UNDP - Governing Council, organizational meeting and special session, including Standing Committee for Programme Matters [General Assembly resolution 2029 (XX) and Governing Council decisions 85/17 and 90/23]	February (1 week)	New York	48 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR d/	One session per year
25.	Special Committee on the Situation with regard to the Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples, organizational session [General Assembly resolution 1654 (XVI)]	February (1-2 meetings)	New York	25 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	PV d/	
26.	Committee for the United Nations Population Award [General Assembly resolution 36/201]	February (2 days)	New York	10 G	I (EFS)	T	-	One session per year
27.	UNICEF - Executive Board, organizational session [Executive Board decision 1990/1]	February (2 days)	New York	41 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	

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28.	Investments Committee [General Assembly resolution 248 (III)]	February (1 day)	New York	9 E	-	-	-	Four meetings per year
29.	Second Meeting of the States Parties to the Convention on the Rights of the Child [General Assembly resolution 44/25]	February (1 day)	Geneva	49 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	One session every two years
30.	Preparatory Commission for the International Sea-Bed Authority and for the International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea, eleventh session [General Assembly resolution 37/66]	February-March (4 weeks)	Kingston	157 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	-	
31.	United Nations Commission on International Trade Law - Working Group on International Payments, twenty-sixth session [General Assembly resolution 2928 (XXVII)]	First quarter (2 weeks)	Vienna	36 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	-	Two sessions per year
32.	Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination, forty-third session [General Assembly resolution 2106 A (XX)]	1-19 March	Geneva	18 E	I (CEFRS)	T	SR	Two sessions per year
33.	Intergovernmental Working Group of Experts on International Standards of Accounting and Reporting, eleventh session [Economic and Social Council resolution 1982/67]	4-12 March	New York	34 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	-	One session per year

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34.	ICSC, thirty-seventh session [General Assembly resolution 3357 (XXIX)]	8-26 March	New York	15 E	I (EFRS)	T	-	Two sessions per year
35.	Human Rights Committee - Working Group on Communications [General Assembly resolution 2200 A (XXI)]	15-19 March	New York	5 E	I (EFRS)	T	-	Three sessions per year
36.	Commission on the Status of Women, thirty-seventh session [Economic and Social Council resolutions 11 (II), 1147 (XLI) and 1987/21]	17-26 March	Vienna	45 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	-	One session per year
37.	Special Committee against Apartheid - Special Meeting in Observance of the International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination [General Assembly resolution 32/105 I]	19 March	New York	17 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	PV	
38.	Human Rights Committee, forty-seventh session [General Assembly resolution 2200 A (XXI)]	22 March-8 April	New York	18 E	I (AEFRS)	T	SR	Three sessions per year
39.	Committee on Natural Resources, thirteenth session [Economic and Social Council resolutions 1535 (XLIX) and 1621 A (LI)]	24 March-2 April	New York	54 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	-	One session every two years

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40. Group of Governmental Experts to Carry Out a Study on the Application of Confidence-Building Measures in Outer Space, fourth session [General Assembly resolution 45/55 B]	29 March-8 April	New York	12 E	I (ACEFRS) T -	
41. United Nations Joint Staff Pension Board - Standing Committee [General Assembly resolution 248 (III)]	March (1 week)	New York	9 E	I (EF) T -	Two sessions per year
42. UNCTAD - Trade and Development Board, thirty-ninth session, second part [General Assembly resolution 1995 (XIX) and UNCTAD resolution 114 (V)]	March	Geneva	c/	I (ACEFRS) T -	One session in two parts per year
43. Commission on Narcotic Drugs, thirty-sixth session [Economic and Social Council resolutions 9 (I) and 1991/39]	March/April (8 days)	Vienna	53 G	I (ACEFRS) T -	One session per year
44. Committee of the whole of the Commission on Narcotic Drugs [Economic and Social Council resolution 1991/39]	March/April (4 days)	Vienna	53 G	I (ACEFRS) T -	One session per year
45. United Nations Staff Pension Committee [General Assembly resolution 248 (III)]	March/April (1 meeting)	New York	20 E	- - -	Three sessions of one meeting each per year

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46.	ESCAP, forty-ninth session [Economic and Social Council resolutions 37 (IV), 69 (V) and 723 B (XXVIII)]	March/April	Bangkok	39 G	I (CEFR)	T	-	One session per year
47.	ECA - Technical Preparatory Committee of the Whole, fourteenth session [Economic and Social Council resolution 671 (XXV)]	March/April	Addis Ababa	51 G	I (AEF)	T	-	One session per year
48.	Committee on the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space - Legal Subcommittee, thirty-second session [General Assembly resolution 1472 (XIV)]	March-April (3 weeks)	New York	53 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	One session per year
49.	Special Committee on the Situation with regard to the Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples [General Assembly resolution 1654 (XVI)]	March/July (3-5 meetings per week)	New York	25 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	PV d/	Two sessions per year
50.	Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions [General Assembly resolution 173 (II)]	1-5 April	Vienna	16 E	I (ACEFRS)	T	-	
51.	Commission on Transnational Corporations, nineteenth session [Economic and Social Council resolution 1913 (LVII)]	5-15 April	New York	48 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	-	One session per year

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52.	Intergovernmental Committee on Science and Technology for Development, twelfth session [General Assembly resolution 34/218]	12-23 April	New York	159 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	-	One session every two years
53.	Board of Trustees of the United Nations Voluntary Fund for Victims of Torture, twelfth session [General Assembly resolution 36/151]	14-23 April	Geneva	5 E	I (EFS)	T	-	One session per year
54.	Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions [General Assembly resolution 173 (II)]	15 April-15 July	New York	16 E	I (ACEFRS)	T	-	Two sessions per year
55.	Board of Trustees of the United Nations Voluntary Fund for Indigenous Populations [General Assembly resolution 40/131]	19-23 April	Geneva	5 E	I (EFRS)	T	-	One session per year
56.	Committee against Torture, tenth session [General Assembly resolution 39/46 A]	19-30 April	Geneva	10 E	I (EFRS)	T	SR	Two sessions per year
57.	ECE, forty-eighth session [Economic and Social Council resolution 36 (IV)]	20-28 April	Geneva	35 G	I (EFR)	T	-	One session per year
58.	Committee for Programme and Coordination, organizational session [Economic and Social Council resolution 2008 (LX) and General Assembly resolution 31/93]	22 April	New York	34 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	-	One session per year

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59.	Committee for Development Planning, twenty-ninth session [Economic and Social Council resolutions 1079 (XXXIX) and 1625 (LI)]	26-30 April	New York	24 E	I (CEFRS)	T	-	One session per year
60.	UNICEF - Executive Board, Committee on Administration and Finance, Programme Committee [General Assembly resolution 57 (I)]	26 April-7 May	New York	41 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR d/	One session per year
61.	Economic and Social Council, resumed organizational session [Charter]	29-30 April	New York	54 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	
62.	Committee on Information, fifteenth session [General Assembly resolution 33/115 C]	April (3 weeks)	New York	78 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	-	One session per year
63.	UNDP - Governing Council - Standing Committee for Programme Matters, inter-sessional meeting [Governing Council decision 90/23]	April (4 days)	New York	48 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	-	
64.	Administrative Committee on Coordination, first regular session [Economic and Social Council resolution 13 (III)]	April (3 days)	Geneva	27 ST	I (EF)	T	-	Two sessions per year

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65.	ECA - nineteenth meeting of the Conference of Ministers, twenty-eighth session of the Commission [Economic and Social Council resolution 671 (XXV)]	April	Addis Ababa	51 G	I (AEF)	T	-	One session per year
66.	Disarmament Commission [General Assembly resolution S-10/2]	April-May (4 weeks)	New York	159 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	PV	One session per year
67.	Commission on Human Settlements, fourteenth session [Economic and Social Council resolution 1978/1 and General Assembly resolution 32/162]	April-May	Nairobi	58 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	-	One session every two years
68.	Commission on Human Rights - Working Group on Enforced or Involuntary Disappearances, thirty-ninth session [Economic and Social Council decision 1992/...] b/	3-7 May	New York	5 E	I (AEFS)	T	-	
69.	UNEP - Governing Council, seventeenth session [General Assembly resolutions 2997 (XXVII) and 42/185]	10-21 May	Nairobi	58 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	-	One session every two years
70.	Committee for Programme and Coordination, thirty-third session [Economic and Social Council resolution 2008 (LX) and General Assembly resolution 31/93]	10 May-4 June	New York	34 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	-	One session per year

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71.	High-level Committee on the Review of Technical Cooperation among Developing Countries, eighth session [General Assembly resolution 33/134]	24-28 May	New York	171 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	-	One session every two years
72.	Committee on Food Aid Policies and Programmes, thirty-fifth session [General Assembly resolution 1714 (XVI)]	31 May-4 June	Rome	30 G	I (AEFS)	T	SR	Two sessions per year
73.	Trusteeship Council (and drafting committees), sixtieth session [Charter]	May (4 weeks)	New York	5 G	I (CEFR)	T	PV d/	One session per year
74.	International Narcotics Control Board, fifty-third session [Single Convention on Narcotic Drugs of 1961, article 11]	May (2 weeks)	Vienna	13 E	I (AEFRS)	T	-	Two sessions per year
75.	UNITAR - Board of Trustees, thirty-first session [General Assembly resolution 1934 (XVIII)]	May (1 week)	New York	28 E	I (AEFRS)	T	-	One session per year
76.	Investments Committee [General Assembly resolution 248 (III)]	May (1 day)	New York	9 E	-	-	-	Four meetings per year
77.	UNCTAD - Special Committee on Preferences, twentieth session [UNCTAD resolution 77 (III)]	May	Geneva	c/	I (ACEFRS)	T	-	One session per year

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78.	United Nations Administrative Tribunal [General Assembly resolution 351 A (IV)]	May/June (5 weeks)	Geneva	7 E	I (EF)	T	PV e/	Two sessions per year
79.	Committee on Contributions, fifty-third session [General Assembly resolution 173 (II)]	May/June (3 weeks)	New York	18 E	I (ACEFRS)	T	-	One session per year
80.	United Nations Joint Staff Pension Board - Committee of Actuaries [General Assembly resolution 1561 (XV), article XXIX]	May/June (1 week)	New York	6 E	I (ER)	T	-	One session per year
81.	Conference on Disarmament, second part [General Assembly resolutions 1722 (XVI), S-10/2 and 34/83 L]	May-June (7 weeks)	Geneva	40 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	PV	One session in three parts per year
82.	International Law Commission, forty-fifth session [General Assembly resolution 174 (II)]	May-July (12 weeks)	Geneva	34 E	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	One session per year
83.	Special Committee against Apartheid - Special Meeting in Observance of the International Day of Solidarity with the Struggling People of South Africa [General Assembly resolution 32/105 I]	16 June	New York	17 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	PV	
84.	United Nations Board of Auditors [General Assembly resolution 74 (I)]	28-30 June	New York	3 E	-	-	-	Two sessions per year

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85.	Economic and Social Council, regular session [Charter]	28 June-30 July	Geneva	54 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR d/	One session per year
86.	UNDP - Governing Council, fortieth session [General Assembly resolution 2029 (XX)]	June (4 weeks)	New York	48 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	One session per year
87.	UNDP - Governing Council - Budgetary and Finance Committee [decision of the Governing Council at its twelfth session]	June (4 weeks)	New York	48 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	-	One session per year
88.	UNDP - Governing Council - Standing Committee for Programme Matters [Governing Council decision 90/23]	June (4 weeks)	New York	48 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	-	
89.	Committee on the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space, thirty-sixth session [General Assembly resolution 1472 A (XIV)]	June (2 weeks)	New York	53 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	PV	One session per year
90.	UNU - Council, forty-first session [General Assembly resolution 3081 (XXVIII)]	June (1 week)	Tokyo	27 E	I (EF)	T	-	Two sessions per year
91.	United Nations Commission on International Trade Law, twenty-sixth session [General Assembly resolution 2205 (XXI)]	Second quarter (4 weeks)	Vienna	36 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	One session per year

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92.	United Nations Commission on International Trade Law - Working Group on the New International Economic Order, seventeenth session [General Assembly resolution 33/92]	Second quarter (2 weeks)	New York	36 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	-	Two sessions per year
93.	United Nations Commission on International Trade Law - Working Group on International Contract Practices, nineteenth session [General Assembly resolution 33/92]	Second quarter (2 weeks)	New York	36 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	-	Two sessions per year
94.	United Nations Scientific Committee on the Effects of Atomic Radiation, forty-second session [General Assembly resolution 913 (X)]	Second quarter (1 week)	Vienna	21 G	I (CEFRS)	T	-	One session per year
95.	Commission on Narcotic Drugs - Meeting of Heads of National Drug Law Enforcement Agencies, African Region [Economic and Social Council resolution 1985/11]	Second quarter	Addis Ababa	51 G	I (AEF)	T	-	One session per year
96.	Statistical Commission - Working Group on International Statistical Programmes and Coordination, fifteenth session [Economic and Social Council resolution 1306 (XLIV)]	Second half (4 days)	Geneva	10 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	-	One session every two years

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97.	Human Rights Committee - Working Group on Communications [General Assembly resolution 2200 A (XXI)]	5-9 July	Geneva	5 E	I (EFRS)	T	-	Three sessions per year
98.	Committee of Experts on the Transport of Dangerous Goods - Subcommittee of Experts on the Transport of Dangerous Goods, seventh session [Economic and Social Council resolution 1989/104]	5-16 July	Geneva	14 G	I (CEFR)	T	-	One or two sessions per year
99.	ICSC, thirty-eighth session [General Assembly resolution 3357 (XXIX)]	12-30 July	New York	15 E	I (EFRS)	T	-	Two sessions per year
100.	Human Rights Committee, forty-eighth session [General Assembly resolution 2200 A (XXI)]	12-30 July	Geneva	18 E	I (AEFRS)	T	SR	Three sessions per year
101.	Commission on Human Rights - Subcommission on Prevention of Discrimination and Protection of Minorities - Working Group on Communications [Economic and Social Council resolution 1503 (XLVIII)]	19-30 July	Geneva	5 E	I (EFRS)	T	-	One session per year

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102.	Commission on Human Rights - Subcommission on Prevention of Discrimination and Protection of Minorities - Working Group on Contemporary Forms of Slavery [Economic and Social Council decision 16 (LVI)]	19-30 July	Geneva	5 E	I (EFRS)	T	-	One session per year
103.	Commission on Human Rights - Subcommission on Prevention of Discrimination and Protection of Minorities - Working Group on Indigenous Populations [Economic and Social Council resolution 1987/34]	19-30 July	Geneva	5 E	I (EFRS)	T	-	One session per year
104.	Advisory Board on Disarmament Matters [General Assembly resolution 37/99 K]	July (1 week)	New York	25 E	I (ACEFRS)	T	-	One session per year
105.	Special Committee on the Situation with regard to the Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples [General Assembly resolution 1654 (XVI)]	July/August (20 meetings)	New York	25 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	PV d/	Two sessions per year
106.	United Nations Joint Staff Pension Board, forty-fifth session [General Assembly resolution 248 (III)]	July/August (1-2 weeks)	New York	33 E	I (EF)	T	-	One session per year

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107.	Investments Committee [General Assembly resolution 248 (III)]	July/August (1 day)	New York	9 E	-	-	-	Four meetings per year
108.	United Nations Joint Staff Pension Board - Standing Committee [General Assembly resolution 248 (III)]	July/August (1 day)	New York	9 E	I (EF)	T	-	Two sessions per year
109.	Conference on Disarmament, third part [General Assembly resolutions 1722 (XVI), S-10/2 and 34/83 L]	July-September (7 weeks)	Geneva	40 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	PV	One session in three parts per year
110.	Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination, forty-fourth session [General Assembly resolution 2106 A (XX)]	2-20 August	Geneva	18 E	I (CEFRS)	T	SR	Two sessions per year
111.	Commission on Human Rights - Subcommission on Prevention of Discrimination and Protection of Minorities, forty-fifth session [Economic and Social Council resolution 9 (II)]	2-27 August	Geneva	26 E	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	One session per year
112.	Special Committee against Apartheid - Special Meeting in Observance of the International Day of Solidarity with the Struggle of Women in South Africa [General Assembly resolution 36/172 K]	9 August	New York	17 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	PV	

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113.	Population Commission, twenty-seventh session [Economic and Social Council resolutions 150 (VII) and 1147 (XLI)]	10-13 August	New York	27 G	I T - (ACEFRS)	One session every two years
114.	Population Commission acting as the Preparatory Committee for the International Conference on Population and Development [Economic and Social Council resolutions 1989/91 and 1991/93]	16-19 August	New York		I T - (ACEFRS)	
115.	Commission on Human Rights - Working Group on Enforced or Involuntary Disappearances, fortieth session [Economic and Social Council decision 1992/...] b/	30 August-3 September	Geneva	5 E	I T - (AEFS)	
116.	Commission on Human Rights - Ad Hoc Working Group of Experts on Southern Africa [Economic and Social Council decision 1992/...] b/	August (1 week)	Geneva	6 E	I T - (EFS)	
117.	UNRWA - Advisory Commission [General Assembly resolution 302 (IV)]	August (1 day)	Vienna	10 G	I - - (AEF)	One session per year
118.	Consultative Committee on the United Nations Development Fund for Women, thirty-third session [General Assembly resolutions 31/133 and 39/125]	August/ September	New York	5 G	- - -	Two sessions per year

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119.	Preparatory Commission for the International Sea-Bed Authority and for the International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea [General Assembly resolution 37/66]	August/ September (4 weeks)	Geneva, Kingston or New York	157 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	-	
120.	Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions [General Assembly resolution 173 (II)]	7 September-December	New York	16 E	I (ACEFRS)	T	-	Two sessions per year
121.	Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights - Pre-sessional Working Group [Economic and Social Council resolution 1988/4]	13-17 September	Geneva	5 E	I (EFRS)	T	-	One session per year
122.	General Assembly, forty-eighth session [Charter]	21 September-December	New York	159 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	PV/SR f/	
123.	UNDP - Governing Council, Standing Committee for Programme Matters, inter-sessional meeting [Governing Council decision 90/23]	September (4 days)	New York	48 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	-	
124.	United Nations Staff Pension Committee [General Assembly resolution 248 (III)]	September/ October (1 meeting)	New York	20 E	-	-	-	Three sessions of one meeting each per year

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125.	UNCTAD - Trade and Development Board, fortieth session, first part [General Assembly resolution 1995 (XIX) and UNCTAD resolution 114 (V)]	September/ October	Geneva	c/	I (ACEFRS)	T	-	One session in two parts per year
126.	United Nations Commission on International Trade Law - Working Group on International Payments, twenty-seventh session [General Assembly resolution 2928 (XXVII)]	Third quarter (2 weeks)	New York	36 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	-	Two sessions per year
127.	Commission on Narcotic Drugs - Meeting of Heads of National Drug Law Enforcement Agencies, Latin American and Caribbean Region [Economic and Social Council resolutions 1987/34 and 1988/15]	Third quarter	Santiago	47 G	I (EFS)	T	-	One session per year
128.	Special Committee against Apartheid - Special Meeting in Observance of the International Day of Solidarity with South African Political Prisoners [General Assembly resolution 32/105 I]	11 October	New York	17 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	PV	
129.	UNHCR - Executive Committee, forty-fourth session [General Assembly resolution 1166 (XII)]	11-15 October	Geneva	44 G	I (ACEFS)	T	SR	One session per year

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130.	Human Rights Committee - Working Group on Communications [General Assembly resolution 2200 A (XXI)]	11-15 October	Geneva	5 E	I (EFRS)	T	-	Three sessions per year
131.	Human Rights Committee, forty-ninth session [General Assembly resolution 2200 A (XXI)]	18 October-5 November	Geneva	18 E	I (AEFRS)	T	SR	Three sessions per year
132.	International Narcotics Control Board, fifty-fourth session [Single Convention on Narcotic Drugs of 1961, article 11]	October (3 weeks)	Vienna	13 E	I (AEFRS)	T	-	Two or three sessions per year
133.	Joint meetings of the Committee for Programme and Coordination and the Administrative Committee on Coordination [Economic and Social Council resolution 2008 (LX) and General Assembly resolution 31/93]	October (3 days)	New York	34 G 27 ST	I (ACEFRS)	T	-	One session per year
134.	Administrative Committee on Coordination, second regular session [Economic and Social Council resolution 13 (III)]	October (3 days)	New York	27 ST	I (EF)	T	-	Two sessions per year

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135.	Advisory Committee on the United Nations Programme of Assistance in the Teaching, Study, Dissemination and Wider Appreciation of International Law, twenty-eighth session [General Assembly resolution 2099 (XX)]	October (2 days)	New York	13 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	-	One session per year
136.	UNCTAD - Intergovernmental Group of Experts on Restrictive Business Practices, twelfth session [TD/B/RPB/CONF.10/Rev.1, sect. G, para. 6, endorsed by General Assembly resolution 35/63]	October	Geneva	c/	I (ACEFRS)	T	-	One session per year
137.	United Nations Administrative Tribunal [General Assembly resolution 351 (IV)]	October/ November (5 weeks)	New York	7 E	I (EF)	T	PV e/	Two sessions per year
138.	Committee against Torture, eleventh session [General Assembly resolution 39/46 A]	8-19 November	Geneva	10 E	I (EFRS)	T	SR	Two sessions per year
139.	Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights, eighth session [Economic and Social Council resolutions 1982/33 and 1985/17]	22 November-10 December	Geneva	18 E	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	One session per year

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140.	Panel of External Auditors of the United Nations, the Specialized Agencies and the International Atomic Energy Agency [General Assembly resolution 347 (IV)]	23-30 November	New York	9 E	I (EF)	-	-	One session per year
141.	Third meeting of States Parties to the Convention against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment [General Assembly resolution 39/46 A]	24 November	Geneva	40-50 G	I (EFRS)	T	SR	One session every two years
142.	Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People - Special Meeting in Observance of the International Day of Solidarity with the Palestinian People [General Assembly resolutions 32/40 B and 33/28]	29 November	New York	23 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	PV	
143.	United Nations Pledging Conference for Development Activities [General Assembly resolution 32/197]	November (1 day)	New York	171 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	-	
144.	Investments Committee [General Assembly resolution 248 (III)]	November (1 day)	New York	9 E	-	-	-	Four meetings per year

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145.	Ad Hoc Committee of the General Assembly for the Announcement of Voluntary Contributions to the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East [General Assembly resolution 1729 (XVI)]	November (1 meeting)	New York	171 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	-	One meeting per year
146.	Ad Hoc Committee of the General Assembly for the Announcement of Voluntary Contributions to the Programme of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees [General Assembly resolution 1729 (XVI)]	November (1 meeting)	New York	171 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	-	One meeting per year
147.	UNCTAD - Working Group on International Shipping Legislation, fifteenth session [Trade and Development Board decision 46 (VII)]	November	Geneva	c/	I (ACEFRS)	T	-	One session per year
148.	UNCTAD - Committee on Commodities, fifteenth session [Trade and Development Board decision 7 (I)]	November	Geneva	c/	I (ACEFRS)	T	-	Normally twice between sessions of the Conference
149.	United Nations Board of Auditors [General Assembly resolution 74 (I)]	1-2 December	New York	3 E	-	-	-	Two sessions per year

	Organ	Dates (1993)	Location	Member-ship	Servicing a/	Periodicity
150.	Commission on Human Rights - Working Group on Enforced or Involuntary Disappearances, forty-first session [Economic and Social Council decision 1992/...] b/	1-10 December	Geneva	5 E	I (AEFS) T -	
151.	Committee on Food Aid Policies and Programmes, thirty-sixth session [General Assembly resolution 1714 (XVI)]	6-7 December	Rome	30 G	I (AEFS) T SR	Two sessions per year
152.	Commission on Human Rights - Ad Hoc Working Group of Experts on Southern Africa [Economic and Social Council decision 1992/...] b/	6-17 December	Geneva	6 E	I (EFS) T -	
153.	Committee of Experts on the Transport of Dangerous Goods - Subcommittee of Experts on the Transport of Dangerous Goods [Economic and Social Council resolution 1989/104]	6-17 December	Geneva	14 G	I (CEFR) T -	One or two sessions per year
154.	Ad Hoc Group of Experts on International Cooperation in Tax Matters [Economic and Social Council resolutions 1273 (XLIII) and 1765 (LIV)]	9-15 December	Geneva	25 E	I (EFS) T -	One session every two years
155.	UNU - Council, forty-second session [General Assembly resolution 3081 (XXVIII)]	December (1 week)	Tokyo	27 E	I (EF) T -	Two sessions per year

	Organ	Dates (1993)	Location	Member-ship	Servicing a/			Periodicity
156.	UNDP - Inter-Agency Consultative Meeting [General Assembly resolution 32/197]	December (3 days)	New York	33 ST	-	-	-	
157.	Disarmament Commission, organizational session [General Assembly resolution S-10/2]	December (2 days)	New York	159 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	PV	One session per year
158.	UNCTAD - Committee on Tungsten, twenty-fifth session [Trade and Development Board decision 198 (XIX)]	December	Geneva	c/	I (ACEFRS)	T	-	One session per year
159.	United Nations Commission on International Trade Law - Working Group on the New International Economic Order, eighteenth session [General Assembly resolution 33/92]	Fourth quarter (2 weeks)	Vienna	36 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	-	Two sessions per year
160.	United Nations Commission on International Trade Law - Working Group on International Contract Practices, twentieth session [General Assembly resolution 33/92]	Fourth quarter (2 weeks)	Vienna	36 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	-	Two sessions per year
161.	Commission on Narcotic Drugs - Subcommission on Illicit Drug Traffic and Related Matters in the Near and Middle East [Economic and Social Council resolution 1776 (LIV)]	Fourth quarter	A capital in the region	17 G	I (AE)	T	-	Two sessions per year

	Organ	Dates (1993)	Location	Member-ship	Servicing a/	Periodicity
162.	Commission on Narcotic Drugs - Meeting of Heads of National Drug Law Enforcement Agencies, Asia and Pacific Region [Economic and Social Council resolutions 1985/11 and 1988/15]	Fourth quarter	Bangkok	39 G	I (CEFR) T -	One session per year
163.	Security Council [Charter]	As required	New York	15 G	I (ACEFRS) T PV	As required
164.	Security Council - Committee established under Security Council resolution 421 (1977) concerning the question of South Africa	As required	New York	15 G	I (ACEFRS) T SR	As required
165.	Security Council Committee of Experts [decision taken by the Security Council at its 1st meeting, 1946]	As required	New York	15 G	I (ACEFRS) T SR	As required
166.	Security Council - Committee of Experts established by the Security Council at its 1506th meeting	As required	New York	15 G	I (ACEFRS) T SR	As required
167.	Security Council - Ad Hoc Subcommittee on Namibia [Security Council resolutions 276 (1970) and 283 (1970)]	As required	New York	15 G	I (ACEFRS) T SR	As required

	Organ	Dates (1993)	Location	Member-ship	Servicing a/	Periodicity
168.	Security Council - Committee on the Admission of New Members [decision taken by the Security Council at its 42nd meeting, 1946]	As required	New York	15 G	I (ACEFRS) T SR	As required
169.	Security Council - Committee on Council Meetings Away from Headquarters [decision taken by the Security Council at its 1625th meeting]	As required	New York	15 G	I (ACEFRS) T SR	As required
170.	Security Council - Ad Hoc Committee established under Security Council resolution 507 (1982)	As required	New York	4 G	I (ACEFRS) T SR	As required
171.	Security Council - Commission established under Security Council resolution 446 (1979)	As required	New York	3 G	I (ACEFRS) T SR	As required
172.	Security Council Committee established by resolution 661 (1990) concerning the situation between Iraq and Kuwait	As required	New York	15 G	I (ACEFRS) T SR	As required
173.	Special Committee on Peace-keeping Operations and its Working Group [General Assembly resolution 2006 (XIX)]	As required	New York	34 G	I (ACEFRS) T -	As required
174.	Special Committee against Apartheid [General Assembly resolution 1761 (XVII)]	As required	New York	17 G	I (AEFRS) T SR	As required

	Organ	Dates (1993)	Location	Member-ship	Servicing a/	Periodicity
175.	Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People [General Assembly resolution 3376 (XXX)]	As required	New York	23 G	I T SR (ACEFRS)	As required
176.	United Nations Conciliation Commission for Palestine [General Assembly resolution 194 (III)]	As required	New York	3 G	I T - (EF)	As required
177.	Trust Committee for the United Nations Fund for Namibia [General Assembly resolution 44/243 B]	As required	New York	10 G	I T - (EFS)	As required
178.	Committee on Conferences [General Assembly resolution 43/222 B]	As required	New York	21 G	I T - (AEFRS)	As required
179.	Committee on Relations with the Host Country [General Assembly resolution 2819 (XXVI)]	As required	New York	15 G	I T - (ACEFRS)	As required
180.	UNCTAD - other commodity conferences and commodity meetings [Trade and Development Board decision 7 (I)]	As required (up to 24 weeks)	Geneva	c/	I T - (ACEFRS)	As required
181.	UNCTAD - other working parties, study groups and expert groups (convened by virtue of a special resolution in each particular case)	As required (up to 12 weeks)	Geneva	G or E	I T - (ACEFRS)	As required

	Organ	Dates (1993)	Location	Member-ship	Servicing a/			Periodicity
182.	Committee on Applications for Review of Administrative Tribunal Judgements [General Assembly resolution 957 (X)]	If required	New York	29 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	PV	If required
183.	Commission on Narcotic Drugs - Meetings of Heads of National Drug Law Enforcement Agencies, European Region [Economic and Social Council resolution 1987/34]	To be determined (1 week)	Vienna	35 G	I (EFR)	-	-	One session per year
184.	Scientific and Technical Committee on the International Decade for Natural Disaster Reduction, fifth session [General Assembly resolution 44/236]	To be determined (1 week)	Geneva	25 E	I (ACEFRS)	T	-	One session per year
185.	Commission against Apartheid in Sports [General Assembly resolution 40/64 G]	To be determined (7 days)	New York	15 E	I (ACEFRS)	T	-	One session per year
186.	Intergovernmental Group to Monitor the Supply and Shipping of Oil and Petroleum Products to South Africa [General Assembly resolution 43/50 J]	To be determined (4 days)	New York	11 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	-	
187.	Second Meeting of the States Parties to the International Convention on the Protection of Rights of All Migrant Workers and Members of Their Families [General Assembly resolution 45/158]	To be determined (1 day)	New York	To be deter-mined	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	One session every two years

	Organ	Dates (1993)	Location	Member-ship	Servicing a/			Periodicity
188.	Meeting of States Parties to the International Convention against Apartheid in Sports [General Assembly resolution 40/64 G]	To be determined (1 day)	New York	43 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	-	
189.	Special High-level Council for the International Decade for Natural Disaster Reduction [General Assembly resolution 44/236]	To be determined (1 day)	Geneva	6 E	I (ACEFRS)	T	-	One session per year
190.	General Assembly, resumed forty-seventh session [General Assembly resolution 45/264]	To be determined	New York	159 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	PV/SR f/	
191.	Advisory Committee on Science and Technology for Development, thirteenth session [General Assembly resolution 34/218]	To be determined	New York	28 E	I (ACEFRS)	T	-	One session per year
192.	United Nations Group of Experts on Geographical Names, sixteenth session [Economic and Social Council resolutions 715 (XXVII) and 1314 (XLIV)]	To be determined	New York	80 E	I (ACEFRS)	T	-	One session every two years
193.	Committee of Trustees of the United Nations Trust Fund for South Africa [General Assembly resolution 2054 B (XX)]	To be determined	New York	5 G	I (EFS)	T	-	As required

	Organ	Dates (1993)	Location	Member-ship	Servicing a/			Periodicity
194.	Advisory Committee on the United Nations Educational and Training Programme for Southern Africa [General Assembly resolution 2431 (XXIII)]	To be determined	New York	13 G	I (EFRS)	T	-	As required
195.	Committee for Development Planning - Working Group I [Economic and Social Council resolutions 1079 (XXXIX) and 1625 (LI)]	To be determined	New York	24 E	I (CEFRS)	T	-	One session per year
196.	Committee for Development Planning - Working Group III [Economic and Social Council resolutions 1079 (XXXIX) and 1625 (LI)]	To be determined	New York	24 E	I (CEFRS)	T	-	One session per year
197.	Committee on the Protection of the Rights of Migrant Workers and Members of Their Families [General Assembly resolution 45/158]	To be determined	Geneva	14 E	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	One session per year once Convention enters into force
198.	Commission on Human Rights - Working Group on Arbitrary Detention [Economic and Social Council decision 1991/243]	To be determined	Geneva	5 E	To be deter-mined			
199.	Committee on the Rights of the Child [General Assembly resolution 44/25]	To be determined	Geneva	10 E	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	One session per year

	Organ	Dates (1993)	Location	Member-ship	Servicing a/	Periodicity
200.	Committee for Development Planning - Working Group II [Economic and Social Council resolutions 1079 (XXXIX) and 1625 (LI)]	To be determined	Geneva	24 E	I (CEFRS) T -	One session per year
201.	World Conference on Human Rights [General Assembly resolution 45/155]	To be determined	Geneva	171 G	I (ACEFRS) T -	
202.	World Food Council, nineteenth ministerial session [General Assembly resolution 3348 (XXIX)]	To be determined	Rome	36 G	I (ACEFRS) T -	One session per year
203.	ECLAC - Committee of the Whole, twenty-second session [Economic and Social Council resolution 106 (VI)]	To be determined	Santiago	47 G	I (EFS) T -	One session every two years
204.	ESCWA, seventeenth session [Economic and Social Council resolution 1818 (LV)]	To be determined	Baghdad	13 G	I (AEF) T -	One session every two years
205.	Meeting between the secretariat of the Organization of the Islamic Conference and the secretariats of the United Nations system [General Assembly resolution 37/4]	To be determined	To be determined	25 ST	I (AEF) T -	One session per year

	Organ	Dates (1993)	Location	Member-ship	Servicing a/	Periodicity
206.	Meeting between representatives of the Secretariat of the United Nations and of the General Secretariat of the League of Arab States [General Assembly resolution 45/82]	To be determined	To be determined	25 ST	I (AEF) T -	One session per year

a/ The languages in which interpretation will be provided are indicated. Languages in which translation and meeting records will be provided vary according to the rules of procedure applicable to the body concerned and, in the case of some working groups and similar bodies, according to the actual requirements when less than would be provided under the rules of procedure.

b/ Bodies whose mandates are due to expire, but are expected to be presented for renewal to the Economic and Social Council at its upcoming sessions.

c/ Open to the participation of all interested States members of UNCTAD (UNCTAD resolution 80 (III), para. 9).

d/ For plenary meetings only.

e/ When holding oral hearings.

f/ It has been the practice to provide verbatim records for plenary meetings and First Committee meetings only.

D. Draft calendar of conferences and meetings of the principal organs of the specialized agencies and the International Atomic Energy Agency, 1993

	Organ	Dates (1993)	Location
1.	WHO - Executive Board, ninety-first session	11 or 18 January	Geneva
2.	ILO - Governing Body and its Committees, two hundred and fifty-fifth session	15 February-5 March	Geneva
3.	ICAO - Council, one hundred and thirty-eighth session	22 February-26 March	Montreal
4.	IAEA - Board of Governors	23 February (3 or 4 days)	Vienna
5.	UNIDO - Programme and Budget Committee, ninth session	26-30 April	Vienna
6.	ILO - Governing Body and its Committees, two hundred and fifty-sixth session	20-29 May	Geneva
7.	ICAO - Council, one hundred and thirty-ninth session	31 May-30 June	Montreal
8.	WHO - World Health Assembly, forty-sixth session	May (first 2 weeks)	Geneva
9.	ILO - General Conference, eightieth session	2-23 June	Geneva
10.	FAO - Council, one hundred and third session	14-25 June	Rome
11.	UNIDO - Industrial Development Board, eleventh session	28 June-2 July	Vienna
12.	IAEA - Board of Governors	June (3 or 4 days)	Vienna
13.	WMO - Executive Council, forty-fifth session	June	Geneva
14.	ILO - Governing Body and its Committees, two hundred and fifty-seventh session	June	Geneva

	Organ	Dates (1993)	Location
15.	IAEA - General Conference	20-24 September	Vienna
16.	IMF/World Bank - annual meetings of the Boards of Governors	28-30 September	Washington, D.C.
17.	IMO - Assembly	October-November (2 weeks)	London
18.	UPU - Executive Council	October-November	Berne
19.	FAO - Council, one hundred and fourth session	2-4 November	Rome
20.	ILO - Governing Body and its Committees, two hundred and fifty-eighth session	4-19 November	Geneva
21.	FAO - Conference, twenty-seventh session	6-25 November	Rome
22.	ICAO - Council, one hundred and fortieth session	15 November-17 December	Montreal
23.	FAO - Council, one hundred and fifth session	26 November	Rome
24.	UNIDO - General Conference, fifth session	6-10 December	Vienna

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Corrigendum

Paragraph 124 should read

124. The Committee on Conferences concluded that it had identified the role it could play under its terms of reference as established in resolution 43/222 B, namely, the systematic and programmatic review of the workings of the Department of Conference Services. It agreed to continue to exercise that role. To that end, it requested the Department of Conference Services, in cooperation with the Bureau of the Committee, to consider the issues requiring review on the basis of paragraph 104 of document A/44/222 the "fresh outside look", including the terms of reference and time-scale of the review, and report accordingly to the Committee at its 1992 substantive session.

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Addendum*

* The present document contains an addendum to the report of the Committee on Conferences. The complete report will be issued subsequently as Official Records of the General Assembly, Forty-sixth Session, Supplement No. 32 (A/46/32).

1. The following information was received after the publication of the report of the Committee on Conferences (A/46/32 and Corr.1):

1. Page 61, annex II

After item 135 insert a new item 136 reading as follows:

	Organ	Dates (1992)	Location	Membership	Servicing a/	Periodicity
136.	International Narcotics Control Board, fifty-third session [Single Convention on Narcotic Drugs of 1961, article 11]	9-26 November	Vienna	13	I T (ACEFRS)	Two or three sessions per year

and renumber items 136 to 221 as 137 to 222.

2. The following items in annex II, section A, have been changed since publication; the underlining indicates where the changes have been made:

	Organ	Dates (1992)	Location	Membership	Servicing a/	Periodicity
81.	International Narcotics Control Board, fifty-first session [Single Convention on Narcotic Drugs of 1961, article 11]	6-10 January	Vienna	13 E	I T - (AEFRS)	Two or three sessions per year
27.	Investments Committee [General Assembly resolution 248 (III)]	24 February	New York	9 E		Four meetings per year

	Organ	Dates (1992)	Location	Membership	Servicing a/	Periodicity
30.	Preparatory Commission for the International Sea-Bed Authority and for the International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea, tenth session [General Assembly resolution 37/66]	24 February-13 March	Kingston	157 G	I (ACEFRS) T -	
31.	UNCTAD - Working Party on the Medium-Term Plan and the Programme Budget, twenty-first session [UNCTAD resolution 114 (V) and Trade and Development Board decision 156 (XVII)]	9-13 March	Geneva	b/	I (ACEFRS) T -	Two sessions per year
42.	UNCTAD - Trade and Development Board, thirty-eighth session, second part [General Assembly resolution 1995 (XIX) and UNCTAD resolution 114 (V)]	21 April-1 May	Geneva	b/	I (ACEFRS) T -	One session in two parts per year
44.	Commission on Narcotic Drugs, thirty-fifth session [Economic and Social Council resolutions 9 (I) and 1991/39]	6-15 April	Vienna	53 G	I (ACEFRS) T -	One session per year
52.	Committee of the Whole of the Commission on Narcotic Drugs [Economic and Social Council resolution 1991/39]	8-13 April	Vienna	53 G	I (ACEFRS) T -	One session per year
61.	UNCTAD - Committee on Invisibles and Financing related to Trade (Financing related to Trade), fourteenth session, first part [UNCTAD resolution 10 (I)]	4-12 May	Geneva	b/	I (ACEFRS) T -	Twice between sessions of the Conference

	Organ	Dates (1992)	Location	Membership	Servicing a/	Periodicity
69.	UNCTAD - Committee on Economic Cooperation among Developing Countries, sixth session [UNCTAD resolution 127 (V) and Trade and Development Board decision 142 (XVI)]	10-19 June	Geneva	b/	I T - (ACEFRS)	Normally twice between sessions of the Conference
76.	UNITAR - Board of Trustees, thirtieth session [General Assembly resolution 1934 (XVIII)]	10-14 February	New York	28 E	I T - (ACEFRS)	One session per year
82.	Investments Committee [General Assembly resolution 248 (III)]	18 May	New York	9 E		Four meetings per year
141.	UNCTAD - Committee on Shipping, fifteenth session [Trade and Development Board decision 11 (I)]	_*	Geneva	b/	I T - (ACEFRS)	Twice between sessions of the Conference
142.	International Narcotics Control Board, fifty-second session [Single Convention on Narcotic Drugs of 1961, article 11]	4-15 May	Vienna	13 E	I T - (AEFRS)	Two or three sessions per year
153.	Investments Committee [General Assembly resolution 248 (III)]	23 November	New York	9 E		Four meetings per year

* This meeting will be held from 11-19 January 1993.

Organ	Dates (1992)	Location	Membership	Servicing a/	Periodicity
189. UNCTAD - other commodity conferences and commodity meetings [Trade and Development Board decision 7 (I)]	As required (up to 14 weeks)	Geneva	b/	I (ACEFRS) T - T -	As required
192. Expert Group Meeting on Population Distribution and Migration [Economic and Social Council resolution 1991/93]	To be determined (1 week)	New York	15 E	I (ACEFRS) T -	
193. Expert Group Meeting on Population and Women [Economic and Social Council resolution 1991/93]	To be determined (1 week)	New York	15 E	I (ACEFRS) T -	
194. Expert Group Meeting on Family Planning, Health and Family Well-Being	To be determined (1 week)	New York	15 E	I (ACEFRS) T -	
195. Expert Group Meeting on Population Growth and Demographic Structure [Economic and Social Council resolution 1993/93]	To be determined (1 week)	New York	15 E	I (ACEFRS) T -	
197. Expert Group Meeting on Population, Environment and Development [Economic and Social Council resolution 1991/93]	20-24 January	New York	15 E	I (ACEFRS) T -	

3. The following items in annex II, section C, have been changed since publication; the underlining indicates where the changes have been made:

	Organ	Dates (1993)	Location	Membership	Servicing a/	Periodicity
13.	UNCTAD - Committee on Transfer of Technology, ninth session [Trade and Development Board decision 117 (XIV)]	18-26 October	Geneva	c/	I T - (ACEFRS)	Normally twice between sessions of the Conference
19.	UNCTAD - Working Party on the Medium-Term Plan and the Programme Budget, twenty-third session [UNCTAD resolution 114 (V) and Trade and Development Board decision 156 (XVII)]	15-19 February	Geneva	c/	I T - (ACEFRS)	
42.	UNCTAD - Trade and Development Board, thirty-ninth session, second part [General Assembly resolution 1995 (XIX) and UNCTAD resolution 114 (V)]	15-26 March	Geneva	c/	I T - (ACEFRS)	One session in two parts per year
77.	UNCTAD - Special Committee on Preferences, twentieth session [UNCTAD resolution 77 (III)]	10-18 May	Geneva	c/	I T - (ACEFRS)	One session per year
125.	UNCTAD - Trade and Development Board, fortieth session, first part [General Assembly resolution 1995 (XIX) and UNCTAD resolution 114 (V)	20 September-1 October	Geneva	c/	I T - (ACEFRS)	One session in two parts per year

Organ	Dates (1993)	Location	Membership	Servicing a/	Periodicity
136. UNCTAD - Intergovernmental Group of Experts on Restrictive Business Practices, twelfth session [TD/B/RPB/CONF.10/Rev.1, sect. G, para. 6, endorsed by General Assembly resolution 35/63]	11-15 October	Geneva	c/	I (ACEFRS) T -	One session per year
147. UNCTAD - Working Group on International Shipping Legislation, fifteenth session [Trade and Development Board decision 46 (VII)]	15-23 November	Geneva	c/	I (ACEFRS) T -	One session per year
148. UNCTAD - Committee on Commodities, fifteenth session [Trade and Development Board decision 7 (1)]	1-9 November	Geneva	c/	I (ACEFRS) T -	Normally twice between sessions of the Conference
158. UNCTAD - Committee on Tungsten, twenty-fifth session [Trade and Development Board decision 198 (XIX)]	6-10 December	Geneva	c/	I (ACEFRS) T -	One session per year